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worst helicopter disaster

The doomed helicopter in its former British Airways livery.

Crash without warning

crew change from the Brent oil

platform in the North Sea to

Shetland, a duty it was due to

It was at a little over 500 ft

on its final approach to

Sumburgh Airport; the men

on board were strapped in preparing for landing when it

suddenly plummeted into

No distress warning was

dicate "something much

worse, an explosion of some

kind, before the craft hit the

MP for Gordon, said he had

been advised that the beli-

fall out of the sky, about 500

feet from the water, and break-

if he was prepared to ground other Chinooks. Mr Moore

replied that any change in safety conditions, after information obtained in the

investigation could be re-

commended to the Civil Avi-

ation Authority immediatley,

withouty waiting for the in-

Mr Bruce asked Mr Moore

up on impact."

Mr Malcolm Bruce, Liberal

perform three times.

Aviation minister

rushes to scene

Mr John Moore, Secretary number killed seemed to in-

Air Correspondent

Forty-five men died yes

terday in Britain's worst heli-

A Boeing 234 twin rotor

helicopter smashed without

warning into the sea two miles

off Sumburgh in Shetland and

sank within minutes. All hut

two of those on board died in

The survivors - including

the captain - were taken to hospital and investigators were standing by to interview

them in the hope of finding

civil version of the Chinook

which performed so well in the

Falklands war - was ferrying

Shell employees in a routine

of State for Transport, prom-

ised in the Commons a thor-

ough inquiry in to the cause of

the Chinook helicopter crash.

In a statement, Mr Moore

said an investigators team had

already left for the scene, with

the Aviation Minister, Mr

He told MPs the Chief

Inspector of Accidents would

carry out a full inquiry and

pledged: "Resources will not impede the proper investiga-tion of this accident."

For the Opposition, Mr

Peter Snape said the "appalling tragedy" was a reminder of the price paid for successful North Sea oil exploitation.

Michael Spicer.

the cause of the accident.

The giant helicopter

copter disaster.

the icy waters.

U-turn

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Tory

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FRIDAY NOVEMBER 7 1986 45 men killed in Britain's

Lawson's big spending hints at early poll

By Rodney Lord Economics Editor

Big increases in the Government's spending plans and a buoyant economic outlook were announced yes-terday by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Nigel Lawson.

In a statement which was seen as clearing the decks for an early election. Mr Lawson said that the economy would grow faster next year and that the prospects for some fall in unemployment were now more promising. Although inflation was likely to edge up slightly it was at its lowest level for two decades.

The increase in public spending will help to fuel growth in the economy. But it has reduced the scope for tax

cuts. Mr Lawson gave no indication vesterday of whether he still expected to be able to cut taxes in the Budget but it was expected that the buoyancy of revenue would still leave him scope for a small reduction.

The statement was received fairly calmly in the City. Market traders were partially reassured by what seemed to he a more welcoming attitude towards full membership of the European Monetary

Mr Lawson told the Commons that the balance had shifted considerably in favour

Tomorrow

Slopes to be seen on



U and non-U in the mountains: a four-page guide to the ups and downs of ski society

Portfolio

 Yesterday's £8,000 prize in The Times Portfolio Gold competition, double the usual amount as there was no winner on Wednesday, was won by Mrs Mavis Johnson, of Wollaton, Nottingham. Details,

 There is £20,000 to be won tomorrow - the daily £4,000 plus the weekly prize of £16,000, double the usual amount as there was no winner last weekend. Portfolio list, page 27; how to play, information service, page 20.

TIMES BUSINESS Ford rejected

The Italian state-controlled company. Finmeccanica. has accepted a takeover offer by Fiat for Alfa Romeo, turning down a bid by Ford Motor of

Banks lag

British banks have one of the least developed payments systems in Europe because of the lack of investment in technol-

TIMES SPORT **ITV** tackled

ITV's plans to televise live a top Italian League football match on Sunday have been thwarted following the Foothall Association's decision to ban coverage of foreign league games during the English Page 34

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THE MAIN POINTS

 Public spending plans for next year to total £148.6bn, £4.7bn more than announced at the time of the Budget. Local authorities get an extra £4bn, partly to take account of

E4on, parity to take account or planned spending and parity to increase government aid.

■ Education gets an extra £2.2bn next year, mostly to fund teachers' pay rises. There is more money for universities.

■ Social security spending up £1.75bn and an extra £300m for the health sender in England. the health service in England.

Borrowing next year will be kept in line with present plans. City economists forecast little room for tax cuts in the Budget. Growth is expected to rise to
 3 per cent in 1985 and inflation to 3% per cent. The balance of payments will show a £1.5bn deficit.

Parliament Statement details Leading article Frank Johnson Market reaction

He promised also that the projected increases in public spending would not be allowed to undermine the Government's prudent fiscal strategy. Government borrowing this year remains on target.
The increases in spending

were nevertbeless much higher than generally expected. Next year's total has been increased by £4% billion to £1481/2 hillion and in 1988-89 the plans have been raised by £5½ billion to £154¼ hillion.

This means that spending will rise in real terms - hut

The Government yesterday ran up the surrender flags in the face of demands from

from £6.3 billion to £3.5 billion, which is £1 billion lower than this year. And the

forecast proceeds from

privatization, which count as

negative spending, have been rounded up from £4% billion

The main increase is in spending by local councils

which has gone up by £4 hillion. Previous provision

was admitted to be unrealistically low. The Government

grant to councils has been increased also, by almost 10

With the exception of de-

fence, contributions to the EEC and export credits every

programme has been in-creased over previous plans.

Apart from the increase in

million more for universities.

Health and personal social services receive an extra £600

million. Mr Lawson claimed

that combined with efficiency

savings, the extra money

would not only allow the

Health Service to cope with a growing number of elderly

patients but would also allow

including that funded hy re-ceipts from council house

sales, has been increased by

£450 million. Roads receive

an extra £65 million. And the

social security budget goes up

Spending on housing,

it to improve services.

to £5 billion.

spending ministers which it had become polinically impossifile to refuse. Mr Lawson's statement yesterday to the Commons was than the economy.

The reserve included in next year's plans has been cut

tacit acknowledgment, said Tory MPs, that the Star Chamber under Lord Whitelaw had failed to trim spendmg Ministers bids to anything like the total Mr Lawson had originally wanted.
Instead they had conceded

that poll evidence of a public desire for increased spending on health and education had made it necessary to increase spending totals even if that made the prospect of tax cuts in a pre-election Budget next Spring a gamble.

In essence, the Government had been knocked off course by an extra £3.5 billion of spending by local authorities which they were unable to control, a further £500,000 obtained by Education Secretary Mr Kenneth Baker for the new offer to teachers, and the ever-increasing be local anthority spending on education — including teachers' pay — there is £60 bill for the unemployed and the old at the Department of

Health and Social Security. Mr Lawson's statement to the Commons yesterday con-firmed that the Government's Star Chamber, which has been whittling down the spending bids by departmental Min-isters in a bid to keep the Chancellor in touch with his spending targets, had been forced to accept that any further pruning would be politically unacceptable, given poll evidence of public demand for educational and

health services. The Opposition immediately charged Mr Lawson with cynically setting off a pre-election spending boom, while Tory Wets thankfully seized upon what they were Continued on page 20, col 3



Pound up in hope of high rates By David Smith, Economics Correspondent The pound reacted favour- points up at 1,303.9. But

ahly to the Chancellor's statement, buoyed by the expecta-tion that the Government's the Chancellor's statement as decision to boost public risky, and one that was likely spending would keep interest

It rose 1.1 cents to \$1.4340, and the sterling index was up 0.4 to 69.5. Interest rates in the money markets finished higher in response to the statement. In New York the pound slipped to \$1.4285 in

Times ban

ended by 2

councils

By Staff Reporters

and other News International

weekend at least.

during the winter months. There was also concern that, having moved away from monetary targets, the Govern-ment had abandoned its pubhe spending targets.

Mr Mike Osborne of

Kleinwort Grieveson, the stockbroker, said the state-Share prices closed higher, with the FT 30 share index 7.8 reflation than we all thought".

Russia accuses US of arms 'retreat' From Andrew McEwen, Diplomatic Correspondent, Vienna

The Vicana follow-up to the Reykjavic summit ended yesterday without progress after five hours of talks during two meetings between Mr George Shultz, the US Secretary of State, and Mr Eduard Sheventage on the same issue as the local meeting. Mr Shevard-index meeting, Mr Shevard

Two of the three Labour-controlled councils ordered by the High Court on Wednesday to end their banning from public libraries of *The Times* State, and Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, the Soviet Foreign titles moved to comply with the order yesterday, but the third is delaying obeying the instruction until after the Minister, failed to clear up the main obstacles. Mr Shevardnadze said the

talks "left a bitter taste" and accused the Americans of "a The London boroughs of Camden and Hammersmith complete retreat from the high ground reached in Iceland". The Soviets say President
Reagan agreed at Reykjavic to
elimination of all nuclear
weapons within 10 years. The
Administration version is that
he agreed to elimination of and Fulham gave instructions to council officers yesterday to restore the banned papers to

their libraries.

Mr Frank Nixon, the Chief Executive of Camden, said:

"We shall comply with the court order and the necessary ballistic missiles but not bombs, cruise missiles or arrangements are being made nuclear shells. now. The papers will be available again within the next No date was set for another meeting and no further summit is planned. Negotiations now move to the Geneva strategic arms talks, where the

day or so." A spokesman for Councillor A spokesman for Councillor Gordon Prentice, Labour leader of Hammersmith and Fulham, said: "We shall be considering the court's Continued on Page 2, col 5 Americans have already tabled their interpretation of the Reykjavic proposals.
The Vienna talks foundered

By Frances Gibb

Legal Affairs Correspondent

An alleged rape victim was

jailed for a day yesterday by a judge at the Central Criminal

Court after she refused to give

The woman, a chamber-

maid from Northolt, Middle-

sex, was arrested after she told

police she was too frightened

to speak out at the trial of a

man. aged 27, from Southall,

rape and other offences.

West London, charged with

Judge Denison QC gave the

girl, aged 19, a day's detention

for contempt because she

failed to comply with a wit-ness order made against her at

the committal stage obliging

evidence at a trial.

defences against ballistic mis-The Americans remained firm in their commitment to

Hopes buried

the Strategic Defence Initiative (SDI).

Mr Shultz said the US needed to continue testing because of uncertainty as to whether ballistic missiles would be eliminated, and because it was SDI that had prompted Soviet disarmament overtures. He also argued that SDI was an insurance against "cheating" Mr Shevardnadze agreed to

take a second look at British evidence of Syrian intelligence involvement in a plot to blow up an El Al airliner last April. Mr Shultz pressed him to reconsider the negative Soviet attitude to Britain's decision to end relations with Syria. Judge jails rape victim for contempt

Mr Moore said: "We all owe a debt to those whose tenacity quiry to finish. We ought to control any suggestions about safety until courage and ingenuity, win for our nation, oil reserves from we learn a little bit more about the incident," he added. Mr Moore told Mr Dick the sea. "I understand no warning of Douglas (Lah, Dunfermline West): There must be the any kind was given." The former Transport Minister, Mr David Howell (Guildford), said the high most thorough investigation by my Chief Inspector.

Emergency inquiry into ways to curb Aids By Martin Fletcher, Political Reporter

An emergency parliam-entary investigation has been inquiries into management of the National Health Service

and child care. launched into the growing The committee took its Aids crisis. decision on Wednesday, sent

The inquiry will question ministers and leading health experts, and is to examine even the most unpalatable out letters inviting written evidence yesterday, and will hold up to five weeks of oral evidence sessions from the beginning of January.

Latest figures show that by
the end of October there had options for containing the disease. These include screening visitors from Aids-affected countries, the strict physical

been 548 cases of Aids re-ported and 278 deaths – a sharp increase on September's figures of 512 and 250. At the same time a special

Cabinet committee has been set up to tackle the crisis. Runcie's challenge, page WHO warning, page

Manchester **United look** to Ferguson

Alex Ferguson, the former Scotland and Aberdeen manager, is expected to take over as the manager of Manchester United following the dismissal yesterday of Ron Addinson.

The poor performance of the team over the last 12 months was the reason given hy the club chairman. Martin Edwards, for the dismissal of Atkinson, who had been at the club for five and a half years.

During that period the team was appointed a circuit judge had won the FA Cup twice hut in March 1985. He was a never achieved the success in crown court recorder from the League that the club has

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Survivors owe lives

Britain's worst helicopter

Captain Gordon Mitchell, a coastguard helicopter pilot. was on a routine patrol when he spotted what he thought was either a fishing boat or an oil slick in the water.

Seconds later he heard air traffic control on his radio calling the Chinook, saving it had gone too low for radar. went in the direction of what I thought was the oil slick and when I got there I discovered it was the wreck, Captain Mitchell said last

When he arrived less than a minute after hearing the alert. the two survivors were already in the water but the helicopter

had disappeared.
"One was clinging to a bit of wreckage and the other was hanging on to a dinghy. We got the guy off the wreckage and a winchman cut free the man hanging to the dinghy...

"Something catastrophic their homes for a short hreak must have happened. Then before flying out to their lonely working life on the bodies started floating to the

> tims in the water, were wearuninflated

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given by the pilot and al-

though the sea was rough the visibility was said to be

The same Chinook was

involved in an emergency

landing three years ago when a gearbox caught fire. An ac-

cident investigation blamed

the failure of a roller bearing

which has since been re-

designed. The 35 people on board all got out safely.

It is unlikely that yes-

terday's crash was in any way

linked to the previous incident

and there appears to be no

The passengers vesterday included nine Shell employ-

ees. The others were contract

staff who had been working on

the Brent oilfield. They would

have been taken to Aberdeen

for onward connections to

helicopter indicated a cata-

strophic failure probably involving the rotors. Although

the helicopter has two engines and can easily fly on one, it

linking the two rotors failed,

for example, the helicopter would have fallen like a stone. It was one of four Boeing

similarity between them.

to chance The two known survivors of

crash owe their lives to a chance in a million coincid-

giant platforms in the North Sea again. The sudden loss of the The captain and his crew

hunted desperately for other survivors, but could see none. Then a trawler, the River Dee, arrived on the scene and the helicopter flew the two men to hospital. cannot remain airborne if one stops. Had the main shaft

Both men were injured. One had chest pains and the other was suffering from shock. The survivors, like the vic-



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When she failed to turn up at the Central Criminal Court

Women Against Rape said

issued for her arrest. When on the bench and should be The National Association of Victims Support Schemes said that the use of videos in taking

Yesterday the woman told evidence was one option it the judge from the dock that she was too frightened to appear. After the alleged rape, the woman gave a statement intended to pursue in forming proposals to improve the treatment of victims in court. to police and was examined by tor, said: "I am horrified at doctors. She also gave evwhat appears to be so little idence at a preliminary hearing before Ealing magistrates. ing before Ealing magistrates.
Witnesses can be jailed for up to three months for failing this sort of evidence in a

to appear in court after an order has been made against Yesterday the jailing pro-

voked criticism in several quarters and a call for the

Government to take steps to

protect victims in such cases.

on Wednesday, a warrant was

told she could be arrested, she

said to police: "Fil be

public court. The police had taken considerable steps to make the

more humane The association had set up a working party to examine the problems of victims in court chaired by Lady Ralphs, the

resentatives from the judiciary, police, probation service, courts and the Law Society on it. The Home Office, which

isolation of Aids victims and

carriers, making Aids a notifiable disease, and issuing

identity cards to Aids carriers.

conducted by the Social Ser-

vices Select Committee, which

considers the subject so sen-

past chairman of the Magist-rates' Association, with rep-

The investigation is being

troduce videos into courts for the taking of evidence from children who are victims of Ms Helen Reeves, a direcviolent crime, said yesterday that there were no plans to extend this to adults. The case against the man, who has been in custody for a

year, will proceed today. Judge Denison, aged 57. treatment of rape victims

1979 to 1985 and lists his recreations in Who's Who was "walking" and "reading rub-

NEWS SUMMARY

Drink-drive test option continues

have the right to take a blood or urine test, Mr Donglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, announced last night (Our Chief Political Correspondent writes).

He told MPs that he was allowing a two-year extension to enable the growing confidence in the Lion Intoximeter breathalyser to be consolidated.

The breath or urine test option was to have ended upon the introduction of the intoximeter. But after a campaign led by Mr Peter Bruinvels, Conservative MP for Leicester East, complaining about machine inaccuracies, the Government initially agreed to allow the breath or urine

test to continue for a year.

Mr Hurd said the option would be reviewed again in two

Appeal on MI5 gag

Two national newspapers were yesterday given leave to appeal to the House of Lords against an injunction limiting their freedom to publish allegations of "criminal misconduct" in the Secret Service.

A committee of three law lords gave The Guardian and The Observer leave to challenge a reporting ban imposed by the Attorney General, which was later modified by the Court of Appeal, to exclude any material disclosed in Parliament or the English courts, or in Australia, where the Attorney General is seeking to stop publication of a book by a former senior M15 officer, Mr Peter Wright. Mr Anthony Lester, QC. for the newspapers, said the case raised issues of "constitutional importance".

IBA cuts radio fees

The Independent Broad-casting Authority yes-terday announced a cut of at least 26 per cent in the fees it charges Britain's 52 independent local radio

In 26 areas, where stations have faced particular difficulties, the cuts will be closer to 35 per cent.

The cuts, which are backdated to April, will be a boost to local radio, which has failed to achieve hoped-for levels of profitability, although it has been successful in attract-ing larger audiences than those of the BBC.

Nurse is leader

Mr Hector Mackenzie, qualified nurse, yesterday became general secretary of the 212,000-strong Confederation of Health Service Employees (Cohse).

In a field of seven, he gained 21,700 votes. His nearest rival obtained 4.481 votes.

Mr Mackenzie, who has been the union's assistant general secretary since 1983 will work with Mr David Williams, the outgoing secretary until he takes up the post on May 1 next

Opren case ruling

An arthritis sufferer who is sning for damages over alleged side-effects from the drug, Opren, cannot have her own observer present when she is examined by the manufacturer's medical expert, a High Court judge ruled

Mrs Ingrid Baker, aged 48, was treated with Opren in 1981. She is one of more than 1,000 people who have issued writs against the American company, Eli Lilly, its British subsidiaries and the Government's Committee on the Safety of Medicines, over alleged side-effects.

Mrs Baker has agreed to undergo tests in Dandee, supervised by Dr William Frain-Bell, a consultant dermatologist, on behalf of Eli Lilly. Mr Justice Hirst said the court must give Dr Frain-Bell the credit of being accurate in recording his results. The presence of an outsider would impose "an undue constraint" upon him.

Jockev's

Walter Swinburn, the Mercedes car into a lamp post while trying to do up his seat belt, Newmarket Magistrates' Court was told yesterday.

Swinburn, aged 25, of Genesis Green Stud, Ousden, Suffolk, was leaving a dinner party and had nearly three times the legal level of alcohol in his breath. He was fined £200 and banned for two years. Mr Jeremy Richardson.

for Swinburn, said his client momentarily dropped his guard while relaxing with friends.



'Racism' case fails

Camden council has failed in its attempt to evict a tenant, whose sons allegedly carried out a racist hate campaign against an Asian family.

Mrs Maria Hawkins, aged 46, wept when the judge at Clerkenwell County Court rejected the council's re-possession order on her Holborn flat. Mrs Hawkins, a divorcee, said: "I'm so relieved - it's

been an absolute nightmare this week. Councillor Barbara Beck, chairman of the borough's race committee, said: "Tur very very disappointed."



EEC law expert questions water sale

By Howard Foster

Conservative Government's plans to pri-vatize the British water industry would be banned by existing EEC legislation, according to documents re-leased by a leading conserva-tion group yesterday.

The Council for the Protec-tion of Rural England (CPRE) engaged an expert in European law, Professor Francis Jacobs, to give his formal opinion on the viability of the scheme to hand the running of the water industry to private enterprise. His findings have been sent to Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary

Specific safety improve-ments for helicopters were

recommended in a Civil Avi-

ation Authority report two years ago after a British Air-

ways Sikorsky crashed into the

sea off the Scilly Isles killing 20 people.
Radio altimeters, with voice warnings, were installed to all commercial helicopters as

well as automatically-de-

ployed distress beacons - a

requirement which came into

effect oo November 1 - and

improved liferafts, lifejackets

and easier escape routes were

The type that crashed yes-terday, the Boeing 234LR, is a civilian version of the heavy-

weight Chinook helicopter,

almost forty of which are

currently in service with the RAF. It originally appeared in the early 1960s and, after

successful service in Vietnam, was adopted by 13 other air

RAF experience with the Chinook has been good. Apart from three lost when the Atlantic Conveyor was sunk

during the Falklands War, the

only crashes have involved

one that went down earlier

this year - killing three crew-men - in a storm in the South

Atlantic and, in 1984, a forced

landing by ooe of the heli-

copters near its base at RAF Odiham in Hampshire. No-body was killed in that

In 1982, members of a

Swansea sky-diving team were

among 46 people killed when

a US Army Chinook crashed

at an air show io Mannheim,

West Germany, after the fail-

That accident, the world's worst helicopter crash, had

ure of a rotor transmission.

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up bodies.

the sky

Helicopter safety

Regulations

tightened

after crash

in Scillies

By David Sapsted

privatization during the life of this Parliament a 30-man team is hard at work within the Department of the Environment preparing the ground for legislation early in the term of a third Tory Government.

Professor Jacobs, who holds the Chair of European Law at King's College. London, says Britain's EEC membership re-quires it to conform to directives on the maintenance of water quality and pollution

He concludes that: "it is quite likely that the European Court would decide that priof State for the Environment. vatized water companies were Although the Conservatives not bodies which the UK

striking similarities with yesterday's.

More than a thousand twin-

rotor Chinooks have been

built for the military world-

wide, most of them being

operated by the US Army. The

civilian version first arrived in Britain in 1981 when British Airways ordered four.

The machines were sub-

In its civilian role, the

helicopter is capable of carry-ing between .44 and 46 pas-

sengers, has a maximum speed of 165 mph and a range

of 575 miles.

sequently sold to the Aber-

deen-based British International Helicopters for

service in the North Sea.

EEC terms, they had to be "governmental" and act "free from the pressure of shareholders or other private

interests".
Professor Jacobs also said that he believes it to be beyond doubt that EEC legislation demanding the mnning of the water systems by competent authorities assumes that the bodies involved will be public ones, arms of the government or

The CPRE also said yesterday that if the Government were to lay a water privatiza-tion Bill before Parliament, it would immediately apply to tainly lead to a reference to the system is privatized.

likely to conclude that the companies could not be designated.

CPRE director Mr Robin Grove-White said yesterday: Counsel's opinion appears to deal a very serious blow to the Government's announced pollution and water quality petent authorities under EEC standards in Britain's rivers in law."

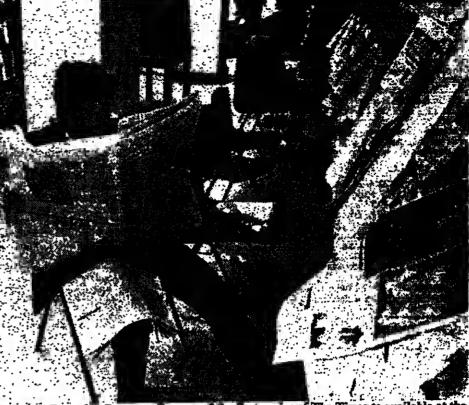
could properly designate as the High Court for a declarathe hands of private com-competent authorities. In tion against the Attorney Genpanies. CPRE's entire concern eral on the question of on this question has always conformity to EEC law. This, been environmental. We fear in turn, would almost cer- great problems if the water

European Court of Justice for Conservation groups are a ruling which could take up to worried because private a year to emerge.

Conservation groups are worried because private ownership might pass into the Even then, says Professor hands of companies which acobs, that court would be could abuse their position, kely to conclude that the Last night the Department ompanies could not be of the Environment confirmed that it was studying the

document, but issued its own statement about the opinions voiced by Professor Jacobs:

There is no reason to believe that privatized water intention to put the control of authorities could not be com-



Mr Simon Roe, of Fulham, reading one of the first copies of The Times to available at the Fulham Public Library after the High Court rolling (Photograph: Peter Trievner).

The Times back in libraries

The three councils were said

Times, The Sunday Times, The Sun and The News of The

decision in more detail at our next meeting but in the meantime there is no question of us in the High Court to have set not complying with it. A letter out to punish News Interis being sent to the Chief national, publishers of The Executive instructing him to Times, The Sunday Times,

In May, 1984, a Boeing Vertol, then operated by British Airways, ditched at a spot close to yesterday's incident but all 44 oil workers aboard, However, the London bor- World, because of the com-ough of Ealing will not be pany's dispute with 5,500 and the crew of three, escaped obeying the order before the printworkers dismissed after and were picked up unharmed weekend at least. Mr John

by fishing vessels.
The worst North Sea helicopter crash until yesterday came in August, 1981, when a Westland Wessex operated by Bristow planged into the sea off the Norfolk coast, killing all 13 men on board.

An engine or gearbox fault was blamed for that crash. In September, 1982, a Bell 212, also operated by Bristow and scrambled at short ootice to pick op a sick crew member oo an oil support vessel, went down 110 miles north-east o the Shetlands, killing its six-

man crew. Calendonian Bell 214ST also went down in the North Sea on a trip to the Magnus Field, but all 20 people on board were rescued.

Leabetter, the acting chief executive, said: "There is a tioo of the titles was moved to Wapping in East London. meeting arranged about this over the weekend and we will scribed the bans as "irrespons-Lord Justice Watkins de-

1,000 wish to accept the Wapping offer

News International has re- £58m, is open until next ceived 1,000 inquiries from Monday.

wish to accept the company's offer of compensation made last Friday. Six hundred people have

made formal applications in writing and the other 400 have indicated they will make applications when they have further details of the money to be paid to them. When he made the offer to

each employee, Mr Rupert Murdoch, chairman, emphasized that the company would not re-enter negotia tions with the unions.

People who accept the offer will be required to sign a release, confirming they have ended all association with the

The offer, which amounts to

going on strike when publica-

were reliant on employment by the company are being offered four weeks pay per year of service up to a limit of £295 a week. For those who were

employed partly by the com-pany, the limit is £155 a week. Since the dispute started when 5,500 employees went on while and many disputes. strike and were dismissed, the company has published its four national newspaper titles at its new high technology plant at Wapping, east Lon-

In a separate development yesterday, journalists on The Sun, decided to withdraw subscriptions to the National Union of Journalists in protest against the expulsion of Mr Carson Black, the father of

their chapel (effice branch).

know what the position is on ible" and said: "There could hardly be a clearer manifestation of an abuse of power."

Seventeen English and one Welsh local authorities, all

Labour-controlled, have been operating similar bans and were yesterday warned by solicitors acting for News International to reverse their decisions within seven days or face court action. They are: Birmingham, Barnsley, Brent, Greenwich, Hackney, Haringey, Islington, Knowsley, Lambeth, Lewisham, Man-chester, Newham, St Helens, Sheffield, Southwark, Wal-tham Forest and Cynoo Val-

ley in Wales. A survey of libraries in the three London boroughs involved in the court case yesterday showed that in Hammersmith and Fulham, nearly all the libraries were stocking The Times and The Sun, except for the libraries at Shepherd's Bush, where The Sun had been previously discontinued for lack of demand. and the Sands Ends library

which had never taken The Sun as it did not take a full range of papers. But there were no News International papers available yesterday in any of Camden's similar picture was evident Library in Ealing Broadway said no copies of The Times would be available "until

fourteen libraries. In Ealing a An assistant at the Central further notice". At Northfields library an assistant said: " I would not bother looking for News International newspapers. They have been black-balled borough-wide."

Ruskin talks today on Times columnist

By Howard Foster

lecturer boycotted by his students for writing an article for The Times, reaches a crucial stage today when the college's knnual meeting is convened to discuss his future.

Mr Selbourne, a politics lecturer, is to sue Ruskin for guarantee the academic free- executive committee.

The case of Mr David dom of staff and students to Selbourne, the Ruskin College publish articles wherever they

After the publication of his article in The Times on March 26, Mr Selbourne has faced the boycott by militant stu-dents at Ruskin, which is dominated by the trade defamation and breach of unions, and has been censured contract after it refused to for his action by the college's

Cash plea for babies of rape victims

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By Peter Evans Home Affairs

A fixed award of £5,000 for rape victims, who keep a child born as a result of the offence, is suggested in the report of an inter-departmental working party on the workings of the criminal injuries compensa-tion scheme, published

The money would be m recognition of the special diffiplties faced by women in that

The report said that, wherever possible, the offender should be made to pay the cost

of such compensation.

The working party has reviewed the scheme with a view to its being placed on a statutory basis. At present payments are made ex gratia and the scheme is a non-statutory arrangement for which the Home Secretary and the Secretary of State for

Scotland are responsible.

The Home Office said yesterday: "The Government welcomes the working party report, which makes many useful recommendations for the statutory form of the scheme." Effect would be given to the report by including the necessary provisions in the proposed Criminal Justice Bill. The main features of the present scheme will remain.

At present compensation is payable to policemen and members of the public injured accidentally in seeking to apprehend an offender or prevent an offence, provided

that in doing so an exceptional and justified risk was taken. "We recommend that the exceptional risk requirement should be removed in the case of members of the public, who will almost always be taking an exceptional risk in such circumstances," the report

One of the most important aspects of the statutory scheme is that compensation will no longer be awarded on an ex gratia basis. Anyone who satisfies the conditions for payment of compensation will have a legal and enforceable right to compensation. Injuries Criminal Compenhation: a Statutory Scheme. London, HMSO, £4.35p

Detective cleared of conspiracy

By Craig Seton

A detective accused of ng up with an underworld informer to plot an anned robbery was cleared of conspiracy to rob at Nottingham Crown Court yesterday. It took the jury nearly five hours to acquit Detective Sergeant Graham Sayer, aged 40, of conspiring to carry out the robbery oo a mail van at Aldershot, Hampshire in April 1985.

The jury could not agree a verdict on a charge of robbing a mail van of £300,000 io Mansfield. Nottinghamshire and was seot to a hotel for the night.
The prosecution had alleged

that Det Sgt Sayer, an officer with Thames Valley Police, had teamed no with Roger Dennhardt to plan and carry out the two robberies in which sawn-off shotgun was used. Det Sgt Sayer, of Tilehurst near Reading, Berkshire, had denied both charges. The court was told that he

had been given the task of "minding" Dennhardt, aged 37, when he decided to turn Queen's evidence.
His evidence led to Opera-

tion Carter, a round-up of criminals involved in armed robberies.



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Reactor to

One of two nuclear reactors at Hinkley Point A atomic power station will be closed before the end of the year for a safety inspection of two stand-pipes which have shown signs of corrosion (Our Science

The Central Electricity

Michael Spicer, flew from Northolt to Sumburgh to particular corresion,

shut down

Editor writes).

Generating Board said yes-terday that as a matter of prodence it had decided to develop equipment and proce-dures to replace the stand-pipes if this proved necessary.

The board said other Magnox stations were being monitored, but there was no evidence that any of the other stations were affected by this

Plans to extend the life of the Magnox stations from 25 to 30 years remained

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helicopter crash At the time of yesterday's disaster, the Chinook was in 234s owned by British Intercontact with Sumburgh by national Helicopters - recently bought by Mr Robert radio and tracked hy radar at both Aberdeen and Prestwick. Maxwell from British Air-It vanished from the conways. Throughout the day, military and civilian aircraft trollers' screens without warning triggering an immediate and ships searched the area for alert involving all Scotland's

possible survivors and picked rescue services. One of the first aircraft on By last night, the investigathe scene was a Bristow helition had begun into wby a helicopter which is known for copter which spotted an oil slick and decided to investibeing tough and reliable should suddenly plunge from gate. But there was little sign of wreckage and when bodies were found they were not wearing inflated lifejackets — The investigators will be looking for similarities beadding support to the theory tween the crash and two that whatever caused the crash similar incidents involving

45 killed in worst

was sudden and violent giving Chinooks. In 1984, an identithe crew no warning and no cal helicopter was suddenly time to call for help. thrown violently about the sky The fact that the bodies so and ditched into the sea at far found did not have their lifejackers inflated is a further almost the same spot as A fatigue failure in the hydraulic system was evenmally found to be the cause.

indication of the suddeness of the disaster which gave them no time to pull cords to inflate the jackets.
Emergency telephone num-

bers were given for people inquiring about friends or relatives. They are: 0224-643974, 643907 and 643903. The accident is a further blow to Britain's belicopter In the world's worst rotory industry already wracked by a dramatic fall in demand for their services because falling crashed in Germany in 1982. oil prices have reduced the need for North Sea operations. This has in turn led to generally low morale among helicopter crew and constant demands from management

> The first rescuers to arrive found nothing but an oil slick and bodies floating in it face down. Two liferafts, one wheel and some small pieces of cabin wreckage were later spotted bobbing on the waves. The Aviation Minister, Mr

for a reduction in costs.

oversee the operation. There have been remark-ably few accidents involving helicopters on the civil register in recent years. And in the last 10 years there have only been four fatal accidents involving civilian belicopters.

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Hospices must accept the challenge of Aids victims, says Runcie

The Archbishop of Canterbury has challenged the hospice organization to face up to the problems of caring for terminally ill patients with

Speaking at a conference held in London yesterday by the voluntary organization, Help the Hospices, Dr Robert Runcie said that hospices would need to look at the whole range of medical and pastoral issues raised by Aids as well as less emotive ill-

I am sure this is something the hospice movement will be facing. I am sure they will face it as sensitively and coura-geously as they have faced other challenges."

The hospice movement has been criticized by the Royal College of Nursing, which has claimed that hospices are refusing to treat Aids patients for fear of losing private donations from those in the

"We have to assume that

senior health officials in Britain have discussed the

Dr Graham Bird said the

companies' attitudes would

disguise the true size of the

Aids epidemic and increase its

spread because more people

would avoid taking an Aids

local community.

But Help the Hospices president, Dame Cicely.

Aids screening is called 'senseless'

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent

Any plans by Britain or other countries to screen forwhen this is done, it is done for a more political or symbolic eign visitors for signs of Aids infection would be "senseless purpose. It does not work to prevent transmission of this international disease." and ineffective", the World Health Organization's leading Dr Mann was speaking from Geneva on a satellite television broadcast arranged by the United States Information Agency. He and two American experts on Aids answered questions from doctors and recognitions. expert on the disease said

yesterday. Dr Jonathan Mann said the organization was strongly op-posed to such moves but issued a warning that some countries might introduce screening of foreigners for political or sym-

"At least a million people in the United States and an possibility of acreesing over-seas visitors for signs of Aids infection, but the proposal, estimate of between 30,900 and 50,000 people in the United Kingdom are infected with the Aids virus," Dr Mann told European health officials.

prompted by concern about high levels of infection in some African states, received little "For countries like these to support at a high-level meet-ing in Whitehall in September. to consider screening selectively people from different parts of the world in order to try to protect their own home immmologist yesterday of "driving Aids underground" by refusing insurance to those at risk from the disease. populations from infection does not make any sense and WHO is strongly opposed to it" be said.

This of course does not mean that some national health authorities will not take matters into their own hands and promulgate regulations that have no justification in terms of disease prevention.

Saunders, has said that hospice accommodation provided by the movement is not always practical for Aids patients, many of whom need intensive medical care.

Yesterday the Archbishop of Canterbury, taking over from Dame Cicely as president, praised her work and said that Help the Hospices was one of the most helpful and humane movements of the twentieth century.

Aids was only one of the main issues which he and the movement would need to

They would also need to look at improving training of both teachers and volunteers and strengthen and expand existing links between vol-untary hospices and the National Health Service.
"I will do my best to
advance these things in the
new phase of our work".

But the archbishop gave warning of the consequences of ill-launched and inad-equately prepared services for the terminally ill and emphasized the importance of cooperation to avoid confusion over short-term and long-term goals. "Hospices that try to go it alone and too quickly are in

Mr John Major, Minister for Social Security, addressing the conference, provided little assurance that present problems covering attendance allowances and individual care allowances for the terminally ill and their carers would be sorted out soon.

The payments are now sub-Insurance companies ject to a six-month qualifying period but the hospice movewere accused by a senior ment has argued that terminaily ill people are often seriously ill for a few weeks or months but die before they qualify for benefit.

> Mr Major also indicated that board and lodging payments for those in mursing homes and some hospices were likely to rise shortly, for



Lord Blandford (left) leaving court with his parents (Photograph: Peter Trievnor)

Blandford gets final chance

to the one that was found in

pended prison sentence for

He was also ordered to pay £2,000 costs and put under a two-year supervision order. Judge Pownall was told at

Knightsbridge Crown Court in London that Lord Blandford had been reduced to a "phys-ical and mental wreck" by Lord Blandford, aged 30,

has unsuccessfully tried to fight drugs before and has been in court three times since 1983. However, the judge said he was convinced he could combat his addiction this time with the help of his family.

The judge heard evidence from two drug addiction specialists and said it was clear to him there had been a

York in the late 1970s and led to his father banning him from Blenheim Palace. indeed quite a different person

that squalid basement flat in the Edgware Road.
"I shall assume that the change is not merely skin deep, but deep down too.

"Many, of course, would say you had your last chance last year or earlier this year and they may be right, but I cannot for my part bring myself to deal with you in a way which would reverse the obvious

After sentence was passed Lord Blandford left the dock to be embraced by his father, his sister, Henrietta, and other members of his family.

Lord Blandford's drug habit

At one stage he was spe ing £300 a day on heroin, but

Previous attempts had

time so impressed his father that there was a reconciliation He is now living at home and has his family's support. His earlier court appearances were in October 1983 for

January 1986 for breaking a

after being arrested at the end of last year he started working hard at kicking his lethal failed miserably, but his determination to succeed this

assaulting a police officer; possession of heroin and a berglary, which was in pursuit of drugs, in April 1985 and in

Thatcher keeps out of battle with BBC By Philip Webster Chief Political

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The Prime Minister refused vesterday to be drawn into the row between Mr Norman Tebbit and the BBC, as Mr Neil Kinnock and Mr James Callaghan, the former Labour prime minister, led an opposition onslaught in the Commons.

Mr Kinnock said that the

BBC governors had now convincingly rebutted 39 of the 40 charges made by Mr Tebbit, whom he accused of blatant and obvious coercion. He called on Mrs Thatcher to say whether she agreed with Mr Tebbit or the governors. "Is Mrs Thatcher accepting Mr Tebbit's actions or rejecting them, " Mr Kinnock said. The Prime Minister said the governors had a special duty to see that the BBC charter, licence and agreement were upheld. People were free to make complaints and it was

up to the governors to answer them. The governors have made a reply and it is not for me to judge between them."

Mrs Thatcher's reluctance to become embroiled in the dispute did not surprise Conservative MPs, who believe she must be aware of some senior Conservatives'

concern about the det erioration in relations with the corporation.
Mr Callaghan bluntly asked

her how long she intended to allow Mr Tebbit to go on making a fool of the Government' Many Conservatives be-lieve Mr Tebbit's exercise has

backfired on him, and that the BBC response was a convincing one, despite his decision to renew his attack late on Wednesday. • Channel 4 Television is

expecting charges of political bias from the left next Wednesday when it starts a six-part series that is said to be the most sustained attack on the welfare state ever shown on British television (Our Media Correspondent writes). The series, The New

Enlightenment, is partially funded by the Reason Foundation, a right-leaning American organization Channel Four officials expect the programmes to draw

a vigorous reaction from

unions and the Labour Party

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Portfolio —Gold— Chance of a holiday for family

winner of yesterday's Portfolio Gold prize of £4,000. Mrs Mavis Johnson, aged 42, from Wollaton in Notting-ham, has played the Portfolio Gold game "off and on" since it started.

"I am a bit shocked, because I've never won anything before," Mrs Johnson said

"But I am happy." Readers who wish to play the game can obtain a Port-folio Gold card by sending a stamped addressed envelope to: Portfolio Gold

The Times. Blackburn, BB1 6AJ.



Mrs Johnson was shocked but happy to win.

Welsh public house is best restaurant

A Welsh public house which has served first class Italian food for the past 23 years is the Egon Ronay Cellnet Restaurant of the Year.

The award was won by the Walnut Tree Inn, Llandevi Skirrid, Abergaveany, where Franco and Ann Taruschie serve Italian specialities such as bresaola (home cured beef) and brodetto (fish casserole), it was announced at a huncheon at the Dorchester Hotel,

ondon, yesterday. The Hotel of the Year Award went to the Homewood Park Hotel, Freshford, near Bath, a 15-bedroom country house hotel.

Detective denies allegations

By Stewart Tendler Crime Reporter.

A senior Scotland Yard detective yesterday criticized Labour MPs for hiding behind parliamentary privilege to accuse him of corruption and claimed attacks against him were a repetition of malicious and unfounded allegations.

Det Supt Anthony Lundy, a member of the Yard's specialist unit investigating or-ganized crune, issued a statement yesterday after he was named by Mr Clive Soley, Labour MP for Hammersmith, and Mr Christopher Smith, Labour MP for Islington South, in an early day

The motion came after a World In Action programme on the relationship between Roy Garner, alleged to be a leading London criminal, and

Mr Peter Wright, Chief Constable of South Yorkshire, has begun an investigation into the allegations made in the programme.

In his statement, Mr Lundy said he wished to reply to "the false allegations which have been made against me over the last few days. These are a repetition of malicious and unfounded allegations which have been going on for a number of years. They have already been investigated and I have been fully exonerated."

Mr Lundy, a detective for more than 20 years, said he had been responsible for the conviction of many leading criminals, including murderers and armed robbers. As well as having to withstand attacks on his integrity there had been intolerable intrusion at home

from the media. The latest series of allegations, he said, "have taken different and sinister lines of

The fact that MPs can irresponsibly make unsubstantiated general allega-tions that I am corrupt whilst hiding behind parliamentary privilege is absolutely disgusting." he said.

Brent appeal on head next week

The appeal by Brent council in north London against a High Court raling on disciplimary action against Miss Manreen McGoldrick, the head teacher accused of the second department of the second departmen head teacher accused of mak-ing a racist remark, has been brought forward to Monday.

The hearing was originally scheduled for later in the month, but a new date was fixed yesterday after the inter-vention of Sir John Donaldson, the Master of the

Miss McGoldrick, of Sud-bury Infants School, returned to a warm welcome from parents and children on Wednesday after her suspen-sion was lifted by the Labour-

controlled council. Despite the move, the council is still pursuing legal action against ber.

 The Brent council official at the centre of the race storm over the suspension of Miss McGoldrick said yesterday that she "absolutely stuck hy" her claim that the head teacher had objected to the appoint-

Publicity on teachers' pay offer defended

The Department of Education and Science yesterday defended its decision to mount a £200,000 publicity campaign m all national news-papers, setting out the details of Mr Kenneth Baker's pro-posals on teachers' pay.

The advertisements ap-peared just before weekend talks between the teaching unions and the local authority employers. They gave details of the Secretary of State's plans for salaries for October 1987.A spokesman for the Department of Education said that it was money extremely

well spent if it resulted in uninterrupted education for the nation's children.

Yesterday was the fourth day of half-day strikes organized by the National Union of Schoolmasters/-

By Staff Reporters ment of more black teachers at

education department, said she had been "shocked" when Miss McGoldrick made the

The two women were having a telephone conversation on July 17 about four vacancies at the school. Miss Szulc allegedly offered the services of Mr Shamim Khan.

Labour-controlled Brent council claims that the head teacher then said: "I do not want more black teachers." Miss McGoldrick has denied making the remark and the school's board of governors manimously cleared her.

However, Miss Szulc said esterday: There is abyesterday: There is ab-solutely no question of my going back on what I have said. I absolutely stick by it. "When she made the remark I was ohviously shocked. As a council official I had a responsibility to report it to a supervisor.

Backing for instruction on homosexuais

secondary school teachers accept that homosexuality should be presented as an acceptable way of living,

according to a new poll. The survey was conducted y MORI for The Times Support for the Conservative Party in the secondary sector has fallen by 43 per cent since May 1983. Now only 22

per cent of teachers expres

pport for the Tories. Although more than 60 per cent believe that parents should help to determine the contents of the sex education curriculum, 70 per cent of teachers are distrustful of parents' ability to explain the facts of life adequately. MORI mterviewed a representative sample of 520

Solicitors support

By Frances Gibb

reforms

Proposals for abolishing the

subject of wide consultation.
There is also widespread support in favour of a com-mon system of education and training for all lawyers, and for

indicial appointments to be open to all lawyers.

The analysis of the 170 replies, published by the Law

risters and solicitors. But lawyers are split or

Almost as many disagreed with the statement "arguments in favour of the present system are poor" as agreed; and while 33 respondents agreed all lawyers should have a compulsory two or three-year period of training in a solicitor's office, 19 disagreed. The responses are to be submitted to the joint committee set up under Lady

began at wild parties in New

restrictions on solicitors' rights to appear as advocates in some courts have won overwhelming backing from among local law societies, solicitors and legal academics. The proposals are among a package of radical reforms contained in the Law Society discussion paper, Lawyers and the Courts, which has been the

Society yesterday, shows a two-to-one majority of those responding generally in favour of the proposals. The proposals advocate wide-ranging reform of the legal profession and removal of restrictive and removal of restrictive practices distinguishing bar-

some of the key suggestions in particular 38 respondents specifically agreed with the proposal that there should be direct access to all lawyers; but 18 disagreed.

A draft response is expected to go to the Law Society

Bob Geldof

is turning again from famine to pop music. In this week's Spectator John Mortimer asks the founder of Live Aid about his improbable career.

emissary of God? Is he a foul-mouthed self-publicist?

Or is he simply someone who has tried hard to do

In this frank interview, Geldof explains his low ness with domesticity.

Mortimer quotes Geldof's anarchic lyrics back at him to see how he reconciles them with the achievement of Live Aid.

And, looking at his future in rock music, prompts Geldof's own question, "Is that it?"

Also in this week's Spectator, Stephen Robinson reveals how the Conservatives sowed the seed for much of the chaos in Brent's schools. Our Fine Arts special issue stretches from Rodin through grottoes to the auction rooms.

And Alexander Chancellor recalls how his sister's 200 word solution to the Suez Crisis took him to Jamaica.

The Spectator – the only solution – for only a pound.

teachers in secondary schools. Council in January.

J Paul Getty Jur came to the

The medals were scheduled buy the medals back for him. for sale at Sotheby's vesterday The memorial is to be erected

. The first choice was decided on. Nearly all the funds required had already been raised and Mr Getty has suggested that the fund raisers should offer to return the cheques. He was particularly moved by one pensioner who had sent a

medals and he should be able to keep them. Consider this

Mr Chandler was pleased but clearly disconcerted yes-terday afternoon. "I just can't get over it," he said. His nine medals include the DFC and bar and the Russian Medal of

they were seen.

Is Geldof a strange

good?

view of politicians (despite a sneaking admiration for David Owen), his realism about the problems of hunger, and how he combines wild-

from his bed in the London Clinic yesterday morning. Watching Breakfast Time on television, he saw Flight Lieutenant E B Chandler talking about the medals he was selling at Sotheby's to raise funds for a memorial to the 199 men of 617 Squadron, known as the Dam Busters, who died in the last two years of the Second World War. Mr Chandler is a gallant survivor of the squadron which flew 98 prissions during the war, more than three times as many as were normally allowed for

afternoon with an estimate of £1,400-£1,600 or them. Mr Getty reached for the phone and spoke toSotheby's. How could be contact Mr Chandler? He wanted to save him

from selling his medals. Softeby's provided the tele-phone number and a bemased. Mr Chandler found himself talking to the multimillionaire. He made alternative offers either he would pay for the memorial which is expected to cost £20,000 and Mr Chandler could withdraw the medals from sale, or he would top the

iest hid at Sotheby's and

next year at Woodhall Spa, Lincolnshire, near the serodrome where the squadron was

cheque for £25 and three postdated cheques of £25 each because that was all he could afford. A statement issued by Mr Getty yesterday says sim-ply: "This man garned his gesture my red poppy for this

Together with the other three men in the crew of a Hampden bomber he spent nine days adrift in the North Sea in a small rubber dinghy, without food or water, before

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Lawson tells MPs of big increase in public spending

the Exchequer, in his autumn statement, said: Cabinet today agreed the Government's public expenditure plans for the next

In the normal course of events that would be followed by the publication of the printed autumn statement accompanied by an oral statement to the House next Tuesday. For ob-vious reasons that is not pos-

So while the authumn statement will be printed in the normal way and presented to Parliament as soon as the House reassembles next Wednesday, I thought it would be for the convenience of the House if I made my oral statement today. This will cover all three of the key elements in the printed statement; the Government's outline public expenditure plans

Non-oil tax revenues continue buoyant 9

for each of the next three years and the expected outturn for this year, proposals for next year's national insurance contribu-tions; and the forecast of the economic prospects for 1987 required by the 1975 Industry

The full text of the economic forecast, together with the public expenditure figures and the rest of the information customarily published with this statement will be available as soon as I have sat down. They will also appear in the printed autumn statement to be published next week.

I turn first in the outturn for the current financial year, 1986-

The public expenditure plan-ning total now looks likely to amount to almost £140.5 bil-lion, £1,25 billion, or a little less than I per cent above what was allowed for in this year's Public Expenditure White Paper. The main reason for this excess is a 9 per cent rise in the current spending of local authorities far more than was provided for.

expenditure side, the largest of which is debt interest, are likely to fall short of what was forecast at the time of the Budget, thus reducing the total overrun on the expenditure side to about

On the receipts side, the North Sea tax take is likely to be even lower, by about £1 billion, than I envisaged at the time of the Budget, largely because for a long period the oil price has been below the \$15 a barrel level on which the Budget arithmetic was explicitly based.

This shortfall, however, is more than offset by the continuing buoyancy of con-oil tax revenues, in particular value-added tax and corporation tax. likely to exceed the Budget forecast by £2 billion. This would imply a net overrun on the receipts side of about £1 billion, rather more than that on the expenditure side. But this will be reduced by a change I propose to make to the

North Sea fiscal regime.

The collapse of the oil price has led to a sharp cutback in investment activity in the North

• Oil price collapse has reduced North sea investment 9

Sea, with inevitable con-sequences for the UK offshore supplies industry both in Scot-land and the North East of

England.

I therefore propose, on a carefully targeted basis, to accelerate the arrangements for the chart the previous plans simply repayment to the oil companies carried forward the same level advance petroleum revenue

tax due to them.

The details of this change, which will require legislation early in the new session of Parliament, are set out in a press notice which the Inland Revnotice which the Inland Revenue will be issuing as soon as I have sat down. The new arrangements will have a revenue with the substantial sums demenue cost this financial year of some £300 million which will be fully recouped over the next

still forecast in be about £7 bil-lion, the figure I set in the I turn now to public expen-diture plans for the next three

since 1982-83, public spending, both before and after deducting the proceeds of privatization, has been decling as a proportion of national output, it is set to be lower still this year. this year.

The Government is deter-mined in ensure that this trend continues: to see to it that total public spending, even without taking account of privatization proceeds, continues to decline as a percentage of GDP.

Plans I am about in announce for the next three years.

for the next three years secure that objective. Indeed they show that by the end of the period the ratio of public spending to national output will be back to the level of the early 1970s. But within this overall con-straint, and in the context of its policy priorities, the Govern-ment has felt it right to allow an increase in the previously announced planning totals for 1987-88 and 1988-89.

Compared with the prospec-tive outturn for the coming year. we are now planning for an average growth in the public expenditure planning total of about 14 per cent a year in real terms, well within the prospective growth of the economy as a whole

The new planning totals have thus been set at £148.5 billion for 1987-88 and £154.25 billion in 1988-89, an increase of £4.75 billion and £5.5 billion respectively over the totals pre-viously published. For 1989-90 the planning intal has been set at £161.5 billion

As usual, these totals incorporate estimates for the proceeds of privatization.

Last year I increased the estimate of these proceeds very

• We are leaving scope for spending on services 9

substantially to £4.75 billion in each of the three survey years, a figure which I expect to be duly achieved this year. Although the privatization programme is now moving ahead more strongly than ever before, I have decided to make only a modest further addition to this estimate, bringing it to £5 billion in each of the next three years.

The new planning totals also contain substantial reserves rising from £3.5 billion in 1987-88

to £7.5 billion 1989-90. The public expenditure increases I have announce allow us to make realistic provision both for local authority current Government has no direct control, and demand-led proh as social se while still leaving scope for increased spending on services to which the Government atta-

ches particular priority. But before referring to some of the more important changes let me make one thing absolutely clear. There can be no question of allowing the pro-jected increases in public expenditure over the next two years to undermine the prudence of the Government's overall fiscal stance. The Government's fiscal stance has been clearly set out in the medium-term financial strategy published at the time of this year's Budget. There will be no relaxation of that stance.

Within the totality of public expenditure, the largest increase is for the local authorities, whose current spending next year is now put at £4 billion above the previous provision.

This is part reflects the fact of cash spending as in 1986-87. At the same time we are increasing next year's aggregate Exchequer grant — a contribution that taxpayers make to local government spending - by al-

onstrate in particular the priority the Government is giving to ucation which, including the three years.

Taking this into account, the public sector borrowing re
new proposals on pay and conditions of service for teachers announced last week, ac-

counts for about the increase in provision. There is also a substantial increase in provision for the police.

On top of the increased provision for the cost of education in schools, which is contained within local anthority current spending, there will be additional spending on the universities of £60 million in 1987-88 and £70 million in 1988-89.

Sneuding on the health and

Spending on the health and personal social services will be increased by £600 million. For the national health service alone, the increase in England amounts to over £300 million a year. Combined with the additional resources being generated by greater efficiency, this will not only enable the health service to cope wity the growing number of elderly patients but will also allow it to improve services. Gross provision for housing

investment is being increased by £450 million. This will sustain the rising trend of spending on loval authority renovation and improvements and provide additional resources for the housing associations.

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earnings limit will be similarly

The limits for the reduced rate bands which I announced in last

year's Budget will also be increased again in April, but by proportionately larger amounts. The upper limit for the 5 per cent and 7 per cent bands will be raised to £65 a week and £100 a mask representatively and the upper limit for the 5 per cent and 7 per cent bands will be raised to £65 a week and £100 a mask representively and the upper limit for the per cent and the per limit for t

week, respectively, and the up-per limit for the 9 per cent rate for employers will be raised to £150 a week.

The taxpayer's contribution

to the National Insurance Fund

- the so-called Treasury Supplement - will be reduced by 2 per

cent to 7 per cent, but this will not require any change in contribution rates. Thus the

main Class I contribution rates

will once again remain un-

changed at 9 per cent for employees and 10.45 per cent

for employers.
Finally, I turn to the Industry

have turned out to be slightly lower this year than I envisaged at the time of the Budget. Growth now looks like turning out at 2½ per cent, against a Budget forecast of 3 per cent, and inflation in the fourth

quarter of this year is likely to be

34 per cent, against the Budget forecast of 3½ per cent.

slower growth has been the

disappointing performance of exports, which were bard hit by

the cutback in spending by Opec

and other primary producers

affected by the sharp fall in

Both growth and inflation

Act Forecast.

raised to £295 a week.

In the light os this year's experience, £1.75 billion has been added to next year's provision for social security, most of which represents a greater expected expenditure on existing means-tested benefits. Provision for investment in

roads is being increased by £65 million next year and £75 million the year after, mostly for local authority roads.

For defence, the provision remains as planned in the last White Paper after allowing for minor changes, including a reduction in the estimated cost of the Falklands deployment. The defence programme will continue to benefit from the substantial real growth in pre-vious years and the wide-ranging action to improve efficiency and value for money.

Taking all programmes to-gether, the additions to planned capital expenditure amount to getting on for £1 billion in 1987-88, of which about two-thirds is local authority spending.

Further details of these and other changes will be contained in the printed autumn statement which will be published as soon as the House returns next week. In addition, full details, together with information on running costs and manpower, will be given in the Public Expenditure White Paper early in the new

I now turn to national insur-ance contributions. The Government have conducted the usual autumn review of contributions in the light of advice from the Government Actuary on the prospective income and expenditure of the national insurance fund, and. taking account of the benefit. uprating which the Secretary nounced on Oct 22. The lower earnings limit will

be increased next April to £39 a week, in line with the single person's pension, and the upper commodity prices in general and the oil price in particular. Combined with a halving in Combined with a halving in the value of our own oil exports, this has meant a significant deterioration in the current account of the balance of payments, from a surplus of some £3.5 billion in 1985, and a cumulative surplus of £21 billion over the six years from 1980 to 1985 inclusive, to a forcest to 1985 inclusive, to a forecast of broad balance for 1986.

Looking ahead to 1987, the prospects are generally encouraging. While the necessary adjustment of the exchange rate to the oil-price collapse has now taken place, it will inevitably take time before the full benefits come through in higher non-oil exports and lower import growth. This means we can expect the current account of the balance of payments to go into deficit next year, for the first time since

• Cash for defence remains as planned 9

1979, to the tune of some £1.5 billion.

Even so, non-oil exports are year, with manufacturing out put, in consequence, up by 4 per mand continuing to expand at the same rate as this year, the economy overall is likely to grow be a further 3 per cent next year, the sixth successive year of steady growth at an average annual rate of almost 3 per cent.

Recorded inflation is likely to edge up a little, to 3% per cent in the fourth quarter of 1987. This is almost entirely due to the effect on the RPI of the timing of mortgage-rate changes. The Government's commitment to a monetary pulicy that will squeeze out inflation remains

Meanwhile, the likelyhood of aster growth next year, coming at a time when unemploymen already appears to have stopped rising, suggests that the pros-pects for some fall in unemploy-ment are now more promising. But this promise could still be frustrated by excessive pay

The strategy we have followed since 1979 has brought inflation down to the lowest level for two decades, combined with sus-tained growth and steadily rising living standards. This is a combination that has cluded successive governments for a generation. We have brought i about by the determined pursuit of free markets and sound money. And that is what we will stick to.

Thatcher refuses to be drawn

PRIME MINISTER

The Prime Minister refused to be drawn by Mr Neil Kinnock, Leader of the Opposition, into making a judgement between complaints by Mr Norman Tebbit about the BBC's coverage of the Libya bombing and the governors' response. Mr Kianock, during Prime Minister's questions. Minister's questions, recalled that Mrs Thatcher had told him on Tuesday that it was for the governors of the BBC to reply to the attacks made by Mr Tebbit, chairman of the Conservative

"Now that the governors have convincingly rebutted 39 out of the 40 charges made by him, does the Prime Minister agree with them or with him?

Mrs Thatcher: It is for the Even so, non-oil exports are forecast to rise next year by 5½ per cent compared with an increase of only 1 per cent this ware with manufacturing out. involves also the freedom to

make complaints. Mr Kinsock: The governors of the BBC have discharged their duty to freedom which is more than can be said for the Prime

Mrs Thatcher retorted that, bearing in mind Mr Kinnock's Labour authorities which tried to restrict the circulation of free newspapers, "be is hardly in a position to make complaints himself".

Mr James Callaghan (Cardiff South and Penarth, Lab), former

Prime Minister, asked how much longer the Prime Minister intended to allow Mr Tebbit go on making a fool of the Government?

Mrs Thatcher: He joins Mr Kinnock in making effective use

of freedom of speech Mr Peter Snape (West Brom-wich, East, Lab): Will she speak to Mr Tebbit, asking him to moderate his intemperate attacks on the BBC? Mrs Edwina Currie MP
makes almost nightly appearances on the media. Will the
Prime Minister ask her to do

two things: Make sure a red warning triangle is exhibited, and second to curb her appearances before / start believing that the BBC is biased against the Conservative Party. Mrs Thatches: I am delighted that he and so many other on that side have so few complaints about the economy that they were to join sterling would be concentrate ou such trivia linked to the Deutschmark.

Tories swerving and skidding, claims Hattersley

whole truth, particularly in the fields of trade, exports and

imports.

The Chancellor will say anything to get out of a critical corner. Trapped in a sinking ship, he always throws his integrity overboard and we hear the splash almost at once."

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North Sea oil was running out.
Every time the markets caught a
glimpse of what the British
economy would be like when the
oil was game, they withdrew their
confidence.

would memployment be down to three million by the next general election? When would the number of john, real interest rates and manufacturing output and investment be back to the 1979 level? Would the balance

of payments he in surplus or deficit?

The Prime Minister had promised in 1979 to create the conditions for real jobs so that products streamed from the factories and workshops while the customers of the world scrambled over each other.

scrambled over each other.

"She has done the exact opposite. Unemployment has risen by two million. The factories and workshops are starved of investment and have gone into fiquidation in record numbers. I do not believe that the Prime Minister ever made a more cyaical promise or ever broke her word more cyaically."

Mr Nigel Lawson, Chancellor of the Exchequer, moved an amendment to the Opposition congratulating the Gov-

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motion congratulating the Gov-errment on the success of its economic policies which had brought infinition down to its lowest level for two decades, combined with sustained eco-nomic growth, a million new jobs created since 1983, steadily rising living standards and record levels of investment.

He said the coming year would be yet another year of steady progress with healthy

Much of the Government's policy for almost eight years had been designed to hold down interest rates. Yet today real interest rates were not only the highest in this country's history but the highest in the industrialized world. During the past seven years Britain had lost more jobs than the rest of the EEC combined, Mr Roy Hatterdey (Rirmingham, Sparktersley (Birmingham, Spark-brook, Lab), chief Opposition polesman on Treasury and conomic affairs, said.

He was moving a motion condemning the Government's continued operation of economic policies producing intolerable levels of successions. possess producing intolerable levels of messiployment, prohib-tive interest rates, cuts in public sector capital spending, the destruction of the nation's manufacturing base and a seri-ous loss of the British share in

ous loss of the invited state a world trade.

It called on the Government to accept that its economic strategy had failed and to replace the policies for the real economy which promoted investment, growth, employment and ex-

He said anyone who heard today's statement by the Chancellor of the Exchequer would agree that the Government was certainly not steering the same course as last year. It was steering no steady course at all.
Part of the reason for the
swarving and skidding was the
result of the new ambignities
over the mid-term financial
strategy. The Chancellor said
this was still in place, but their this was still in place, but that view was not accepted anywhere outside the House. The strategy was either mortally wounded or dead, and so it should be. It was built around the im-plicit faith that rigorous facal and monetary policies inevitably led to solutions of the problems

of the real economy. That was clearly not so.
If in 1979 the BBC had predicted that the result of seven years of Conservative Governyears of Conservative Govern-ment would be record unemploy-ment and real interest rates, a collapse in the balance of pay-ments and a net job lass of two million the chairman of the Conservative Party would have accused the corporation of Bol-shevik bias.

The Government's failure was

shevik bias.

The Government's fallare was the Chancellor's personal failure. Although he said that output was at its highest level, all that meant was that the country was no longer doing worse than on the day the Conservatives were elected.

"We are still doing speciacularly badly. Since 1979, the economy has expanded at an average of 1.4 per cent. In the previous 30 years, it was 2.6 per cent."

steady progress with healthy economic growth and low inflation. That steady progress seemed almost routine and was now taken for granted. Yet it represented a remarkable turn around because not so long ago they were debating whether there could be sustained economic growth without a damaging increase in inflation.

Oil prices had halved since this time last year and Britain had therefore lost half its oil revenues and half the value of its oil exports. Yet public berrowing oil exports. Yet public berrowing remained on track and that was a remarkable achievement.

Britain had been able to weather the collapse in oil prices A combination of expanding world trade and a boom in strength and resilience of its

Chancellor cautious on EMS

Government had not yet decided that the time was ripe for Britain to join the European Monetary System, Mr Nigel Lawson, Chancellor of the Ex-chequer, said during question time exchanges.

Asked what recent dis-cussions he had had with the president of the Bundesbank about sterling's relationship with the EMS exchange rate mechanism, he replied that be had discussed the EMS with the president on several occasions.
Mr Robert Macleman (Caithness and Sutherland, SDP):
Does he accept that if his import-inducing consumer boom continues, sterling may come under pressure again? In that eventuality would it not be better to cover himself within the exchange-rate mechanism than rely upon the uncertain bounty of the Bundesbank? Mr Lawson: There is much to be said for joining the EMS fully, but one of those reasons is not

the soft option which he is implying.

Mr Robert Sheldon (Ashton-under-Lyne, Lab): Everyone knows of the differences between the Chancellor and the Prime Minister on joining the exchange-rate merchanism. exchange-rate mechanism.

In this instance, perhaps uniquely, the Prime Minister may be right.

Mr Lawson: He is extremely percipient in noting that if we

45% pass test at first time The balance in argument had Forty five per cent of candidates shifted considerably, but the pass their driving tests first

time, according to the results of a sample survey conducted last year. Mr Peter Bottomley, Under-Secretary of State for Transport said. But, he told Mr Richard Hole (Langbaurgh, C) in a Commons written answer, the information

was not collected routinely. He also said there were no plans to introduce motorway driving tests. The present test provided an adequate assessment of a candidates basic driving skills.

There is no evidence that newly qualified drivers are in-volved disproportionately in motorway accidents. Safety in general is much better for motorways than other roads", be said.

Investment up Investment in manufacturing

rose by nearly 6 per cent last year and further growth was expected for 1986, Mr Geoffrey Pattie, Minister for Information Technology, said in a Commons written answer to Mr Martin Flannery (Sheffield, Hills-borough, Lab). £80.5bn assets

Net overseas assets have increased more than sixfold to £80.5 billion since the abolition of exchange comrols, Mr Ian Stewart, Economic Secretary to the Treasury, said in a Commons written answer. They are senerating income of more than generating income of more than £4 billion a year for the benefit of the UK economy, be told Mr Roy Galley (Halifax, C). Fugitive law

Legislation for extradition law reform would be introduced in the next session of Parliament, Mr David Mellor, Under-Secretary of State, Home Office, said in a Commons written

EEC deficit

There had been a deficit of £10 billioo in United Kingdom trade with the European Community in the 12 months ended in September, but a surplus of £5.5 billion in trade with the rest of the world, Mr Alan Clark, Minister of State for Industry, said in a Commons written reply.

Price rules

The Government will introduce legislation as soon as par-liamentary time allows on prod-uct liability and misleading price indications and on a general safety standard, Mr John Butcher, Under-Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, said in a Commons written answer, Respilations would also answer. Regulations would also be introduced to implement the European Community Direc-tive on misleading advertising,

Parliament today Commons (9.30) and Lords (9.30): Prorogation.

Reform plan for EEC food aid By Richard Evans, Political Correspondent

Britain is on the verge of persuading its EEC partners to agree to a radical reform of the Community's £330 milthe Community's £330 mil-lion-a-year food-aid package for developing countries.

After a hectic bout of shuttle diplomacy between European

capitals, Mr Christopher Patten, the recently appointed Minister for Overseas Development, is increasingly confident that he will win support in Brussels next week for new Cut the links between food aid and the common agri-cultural policy so that developing countries get help they need, rather than surplus food that Europe wants to get

• Remove bureaucratic red tape to make emergency food Achieve better value for money for the EEC and developing countries.

The EEC's attempts to help countries struck by famine have been repeatedly criti-cized, especially as the aid policy was originally used as a hauled.

Mr Patten, who will chair a meeting of the Community's development council next Tuesday, flew to Bonn yesterday to see his West German counterpart.

The new food-aid policy would mean a larger propor-tion of the budget being used for direct funding of agri-cultural projects in developing countries. The EFC would also buy more for from developing countries with sur-pluses and ship it to nations in need, rather than automatically sending them surplus European food.

Areas affected by famine would also be allowed to sell unwanted EEC food and use the money to relieve hunger. Emergency food aid, which has sometimes resulted in help arriving more slowly than normal, would also be over-

Kinnock to wear red poppy

By Angella Johnson Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, has joined in the dispute over white poppies being included at Remembrance ceremonies and has refused to wear one.

The Peace Pledge Union sent white poppies for him and his wife Glenys to wear at the Cenotaph ceremony on Sun-day, but Mr Kinnock says he will wear a red one. said: "As someone who has

neither pacifist convictions nor militarist views, I shall be wearing the red poppy for "Those who attack the red poppy disregard its history and its sincerity and invite the denger of reducing Remembrance itself to a pointless

colour dispute." Supporters of white poppies plan to hold their own ceremony in memory of all those who died in wars, after the traditional morning service attended by members of the

Picture of North 'far too gloomy' By Nicholas Wood, Political Reporter

Conservative Party, yesterday accused the "chattering classes" of painting a misleadingly gloomy picture of the North.

Thatcher buying a poppy at 10 Downing Street yesterday from Mrs Joan Jones, of Lewisham.

Their "maddening" outpourings overlooked the fact that the spirit of enterprise in the region rivalled, if not surpassed that in the South. They also adopted a "patronizing" attitude towards northerners, regarding them as still wearing clogs.

Mr Morrison, MP for the City of Chester, who was appointed to his present post at Central Office in the September reshuffle, singled out the denizens of London SWI and the people who wrote for The Guardian for his rebuke, delivered while campaigning in the Knowsley North by-election on Mer-

seyside. "What I find aggravating is that the chattering classes talk about the North-South. And the North-South is nothing to

Mr Peter Morrison, the do with what actually happens deputy chairman of the in this part of the world. "Entrepreneurial enterprise, vigour and energy, which is in this part of the country, is every bit as good, if not better than, what happens

in the leafy glades of Sussex. Surrey and Kent. Mr Stan Orme, Labour's chief energy spokesman, re-peated his party's promise to bring in a £5-a-week across-the-board winter fael payment for pensioners and those living on supplementary benefit or

unemployment benefit. He said: "Last year a large number of people in Britain died from hypothermia. It is nonsense that peole should be noder that sort of strain in an energy-rich nation.

Meanwhile, Mr George Howarth, the striken Labour candidate for next week's byelection, was still in hospital suffering from a slipped disc. General election: R Kilroy-Silk (Lab). 24,949; A Birch (C), 7,758; B McColgan (SDP) 246. 5,715; J Simons (WRP), 246.

Labour praise for hospitals clause

Had it not been for the outbreak of salmonella poisoning at the Stanley Royd Hospital near Wakefield, the Governforce majeure the Government

ing at the Stanley Royd Hospital near Wakefield, the Government would not have come forward with legislation to remove Crown immunity from hospitals and other National Health Service premises, Mr Frank Dobson, an Opposition spokesman on health, said in the Commons.

Speaking in a debate on a Lords new clause to the National Health Service (Amendment) Bill, he said that nothing could bring back the people who died, but many of those involved would get at least some satisfaction from the thought that as a result of what happened at that hospital measures were at long last being taken which should seriously reduce the possibility of such an outbreak happening again. happening again. Mr Antony Newton, Minister

for Health, welcomed the new clause, which removed Crown immunity from all parts of bospitals and other NHS premises and not just kitchens as had been proposed in the Bill originally. It was an entirely sensible move.
Mr Dobson said this was a bad

The following is a summary of day for cockroaches. Hospitals Wednesday's National Health were supremely dangerous Service debate in the Commons. places, full of germs and viruses

Until the Lords exercised its force majeure the Government intended only to lift Crown immunity from kitchens. The well informed cockroach would simply have moved from kitchen to operating theater. The environmental health officers reported to the DHSS that 60 per cent of 1,000 hospital kitchens inspected had been in breach of regulations and 97 would have been prosecuted had the power to prosecute been there. ecute been there.

ecute been there.

It was estimated that to do up
the kitchens properly at St.
Thomas's Hospital, London,
would cost £1,500,000. The
House needed to know whether
the Government had made any estimate of the costs arisi from the Lords amendment and if so what additional funds it proposed to provide to help authorities so that they could protect themselves from pros-

ecution.
Mr Jack Ashley (Stoke on Trent South, Lab) said that the clause was a landmark in the bartle to erase Crown immunity from all establishments.

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CHANCELLOR'S AUTUMN STATEMENT

Lawson expects consumer spending will bring upturn

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Export markets for Britain's

Mr Nigel Lawson, the

Chancellor, said in his statement that both growth and

spending. Now it is expanding spending in a deliberate man-

ner not seen since the Labour

government's spending drive of 1974 and 1975.

The Chancellor justified

that by the buoyancy of non-oil

tax revenues, expected to be £2 billion higher than originally estimated this year, and by the fact that public spending as a

proportion of gross domestic

product is forecast to decline

as a proportion of gross

However, set against the new spending plans, this

declioing share requires

growth in

domestic product.

manufactures are expected to

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per cent.

In addition, the Chancellor policy. Until yesterday's statement, the Government made a 6.3 billion to £3.5 billion and virtue out of tight control of

A Output and expenditure at constant 1980 prices (% change)

General government consumption Fixed investment Change in stockbuilding (% GDP)

Deflator for GDP at market prices

Exports of goods and services imports of goods and services Gross domestic product:

Domestic demand

of which:

Manufacturing

B Balance of payments Current Account (£bn)

(% change Q4 to Q4)

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(% change on prev yr)

D Money GDP at market prices

the current account in recent

months. Some outside fore-

casters are expecting a current

account deficit of £6 billion

Oil prices are assumed to

average \$15 a barrel next year

and growth in the big seven

economies to pick up from 2.5

Public spending up £7.5bn

By Our Economics Correspondent

has reduced the reserve from £6.3 billion to £3.5 billion and

added an extra £250 million to

Those three changes add up to an additional £7.5 billion of

spending. There is an extra £1.7 billion on social security,

£2.2 billion on education, £630

million for health and £460

million for the Department of

Local authority spending for

In the following year, 1988-

89, the planning total for public spending is raised by

and in 1989-90 the target is

abrupt change in government

The new targets mark an

the rate support grant is put at

sales of state assets.

Energy.

creases are for the later years. £5.5 billion to £154.2 billion,

1987-88, is now targeted at £161.5 billion.

The Treasury is expecting an upturn in growth in the economy next year, led again by consumer spending. Inflation is forecast to stay

under 4 per cent but the balance of payments will be in deficit next year, for the first time since 1979.

The current account deficit is the main new feature of the official forecast, which the Treasury is required to publish twice a year under the terms of the 1975 Industry

At the time of the Budget in March, the prediction was for a current account surplus of £3.5 billion this year. Now, the surplus is put at zero for 1986. running into a deficit of £1.5 billioo for next year.

The deterioration Britain's external position, the Treasury said, was due to the fall in oil prices, the strength of oon-oil imports and the disappointing performance, until recently, of British exports.

Those factors, notably the performance of exports, are expected to move gradually back into Britain's favour next year, However, continued strong growth in consumer spending, expected to rise by 4 per cent next year after 5 per cent this year, will continue to suck in imports

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That has been a key factor behind the sharp worsening of

Public expenditure plans

announced yesterday show

significant increases in most

areas. Spending for next year,

1987-88, is now planned to be £7.5 billion higher than implied at the time of the last

The Chancellor of the Ex-

chequer disclosed that the

Government has failed to con-

trol public spending this year,

in spite of the advantage of

lower-than-expected inflation.

The public spending planning total is put at £140.4 billion for

the current year, £1.3 billion up on the original target.

However, the main in-

The planning total next year,

£148.6 billion, compared with £143.9 billion at Budget-time.

inflation have come out lowerthis year than expected eight ECONOMIC PROSPECTS months ago. Crowth is estimated at 2.5 per cent and Forecast Average errors inflation in the current quarter at 3.25 per cent. 1986 1987 Next year, the inflation rate

is expected to rise only slightly, to 3.75 per cent by the fourth quarter, and oo that as well as the balance of pay-ments the Treasury is at odds 1.0 with many outside forecasters. Economists believe that the pound's sharp fall and the prospect of higher oil prices will push the inflation rate

above 5 per cent by the end of But the Treasury cites only the impact of higher mortgage rates in its forecast. Without those, it says, inflation would

continue much as it is now. By tradition, there is no forecast on unemployment in the autumn statement, but the Chancellor told the House: The prospects for some fall in unemployment are now more promising. But this promise could still be fiustrated by excessive pay settlements."

rise by 4.5 per cent, and export volume as a whole by 3 per City still expects **Budget tax cuts** cent, compared with an import volume increase of 4.5

City economists, taken aback by the large increases in public spending, still expect sizeable tax cuts in the March Budget, although at the ex-pense of control over public

An independent run of yesterday's Treasury figures through its own economic model suggested that the Chaocellor's room for mancouvre next March is just £500 million, if he sticks with his targets.

"He has gone for a much larger reflation than we all thought," Mr Mike Osborne, of Kleinwort Grieveson, said. "But we can expect tax cuts as well, and a public sector borrowing requirement of as much as £10 billion oext

The consensus among City economists was that he would manage to squeeze out at least £2 billion of tax cuts, enough to cut the basic rate of income tax by 2p. By doing this in train with large spending in-creases he will defuse criticism from within the Conservative





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Environment

Council home sales win day

By Michael Evans, Whitehall Correspondent

An unexpected increase in the sale of council houses under the Government's Right-to-Buy programme helped Mr Nicholas Ridley, the Secretary of State for the Environment, to squeeze an extra £230 million for the

housing programme.

Mr Ridley admitted yesterday that he did not have to argue for long with the Chan-cellor, Mr Nigel Lawson, for more money.

Housing is increasingly becoming a key issue in

government strategy leading op to the election because of a steady rise in homelessness, especially among the young. Yesterday it was announced

that £451 million more than was planned will be spent oo housing io 1987/8. But the Treasury will have to find only £230 millioo because of the increase in receipts from council house sales over the next three years, which are oow expected to yield about £950 million more than

Today the Right-to-Buy programme will be given afurther boost when the Hous-ing and Planning Bill is given for the current year.

Mr Ridley also announced the Royal Assent. Under it council tenants in flats will benefit from a more generous discount.

The total amount of money that will be made available next year for capital expenditure by local authorities, the oew towns and the Housing Corporation will one be £3.661 million.

Mr Ridley emphasized yesterday that he would continue to dissuade councils from building new houses in order to ensure that the money is spent oo repairs. It has been estimated that there is a backlog of repair to old council housing stock standing at about £20 billion,

Local authorities will be told their individual spending allocations in a few weeks time but Mr Ridley confirmed yesterday that he would stand hy the commitment of his predecessor that no authority vote against Mr Ridley's plan. Education

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Large rise linked to would receive less than 80 per pay deal cent of their initial allocation

By Mark Dowd

Expenditure oo education and science for 1987-88 will total £16,599 million, an increase of £2,280 million oo the 1986-87 figure.

Planned local authority spending will rise to £12,850 million, which the Government says is an 18.8 per cent boost io cash terms on the figures given in the White Paper earlier io the year. Mr Kenneth Baker, Secre-

tary of State for Education, has included in this sum £460 million for teachers' pay, con-ditional oo a satisfactory

Universities will receive an extra £95 million for recurrent and equipment grant, a 7.2 per cent increase on 1986-87.

Mr Baker made it clear yesterday that future funding would be in exchange for improvements in three areas: rationalization of small departments, better financial management and improved standards of teaching.

Universities will also be expected to develop special mitiatives in teacher training and help to cope with the teacher shortfall in subjects such as mathematics, physics

and technology. The science budget, including money for the research £39 million in 1987-88, an increase of £24 million compared with the January White Paper predictions. It is envisaged that spending on science will rise from £654 millioo io 1987-88 to £680 million by

Local authority capital expenditure is expected to rise to £364 million, an extra £56 millioo. This increase, Mr Baker said, will allow a larger . programme of repairs and maintenance in schools and help to increase spending oo books and equipment.

Budget increased by £626m

expected to rise by £300

million oext year to £3.7

The Government has reacted to widespread pressure for more funding for the National Health Service by allocating an additional £626 millioo for hospital and

community health services next year. This includes two oew funds totalling £80 million, specifically set up to reduce waiting lists and to help avert financial problems in Loodon

health authorities. The increase anounced yesterday by Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, amounts to a 6 per cent rise in the present hospital and community health services budget of £10.28 bilhon and represents an additional 1.2 per cent over and

above the previous estimate in

Defence

two years.
"Total spending in Britain will rise from £18.75 billioo this year to oearly £20 billioo in 1987-88 and will reach more than £21.5 billion by 1989-90," Mr Fowler said.

Uoder the new waiting list fund, health authorities will be able to bid for money for specific initiatives to reduce waiting times. The mooey will be allocated to authorities who can demonstrate that they are

for road

building

By Rodney Cowton

The Government is planning a significant increase in

spending on road building during the next three years.

Commeoting oo the

Chancellor's autumn state-ment yesterday, Mr John

Moore, Secretary of State for Transport, said that capital

the White Paper earlier this year. Increases of 1 per cent are planned for 1988-89 and 1989-90.

Separate beattle core and the work of the Primary health care costs, more nursing staff or by which are not cash limited, are appointing a bed manager. The £30 million to be made available for regions which get

yesterday that £15 million will

be provided next year to help

establish the four new Urban

Development Corporations in

Type and Wear and the Black

It was emphasized that

expenditure oo these new

development areas to regen-

erate the economy in run-

down regions will be increased

considerably in the years

In the continuing political

row over the plan to transfer cash from well-off areas of the

Home Counties to deprived inner city boroughs, Mr Rid-ley said that he had still not

decided what action to take

but he admitted that it was

extremely unlikely that he would change his distribution

More than 80 Tory back-

benchers have threatened to

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proposals.

Greater Manchester, Teesside,

billioo and will rise a further less than national average £0.5 billion in the following growth - principally the four Thames regions - will be allocated to enable the health authorities to build up facilities in deprived areas outside main cities.

Personal social services will be increased by £300 million, equal to 7.5 per cent. For the first time the Government has included an additional 1 per ceot, £27 million, to enable local authorities to build up services in support of commu-nity care policies.

Big boost

Officials glad to escape cut

Officials within the Ministry of Defence were delighted last night at their treatment under the Chancellor's autumn statement

The spending plans detailed by Mr Lawson yesterday mean that the defence budget for the year 1989-90 will rise by almost £500 million to a total of £19,47 billion.

Officials said the figure represented a real decrease of 4 per cent. In the three years to 1988-

"We regard it as a reasonable

and respectable settlement."

spending on the motorway and trunk road network would increase by 5 per cent in the next financial year, 10 percent in 1988-89 and 13 percent in 1980-80 89, the department had suffered cuts totalling 6 per cent. cent in 1989-90. Over the three years it was Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Defence, had hoped to complete motorway and trunk road schemes total fiercely argued in the so-called ling about 450 miles. Work 'star chamber' of ministers was also expected to begin on schemes with a value of about that his department had borne more than its fair share of cuts. One senior Ministry of De-fence official said last night: £).5 billion which will pro-

vide 350 miles of road. In addition to this national road programme, for which the Department of Transport is responsible, local authority spending on road building is estimated to rise from £510 million in this financial year to £630 million next year.

Figures released yesterday confirm the trend of government spending on roads and transport since 1979.

Whitehall sources say that between 1979 and 1986-87 the overall transport budget has fallen by 12 per cent in real terms, but within this overall total, spending on roads and investment by British Rail has increased by 15 per cent. while revenue subsidies to nationalized industries have fallen by 13 per cent.

The overall budget next year shows an increase of £220 million to £5.1 billion. but it is planned to fall to £5 billion in 1988-89.

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Sizewell delay put at £230m

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

The delay in building Sizewell onclear power station in Suffolk means the electricity supply industry will pay the Government more than £230 million extra in the next financial year.

The move change will have no effect on power prices for

The industry had expected its external financing limit next year to be similar to last year when it was given a negative borrowing limit of £1,068 million, but its new limit will be £1,305 million.

A negative external financing limit is effectively the level of payment that the industry will make to the Treasury in addition to its profits.

• The other state-owned energy industry affected by the Chancellor's statement, British Coal, has had its borrowing limit - the amount of the planned subsidy to cover expected losses - set at £727 million for next year.

• The smaller North Sea oil companies had their pleas to the Chancellor answered yesterday when he announced that repayment of £300 million against £2,193 million in £146 million earmarked by the current financial year.

Compared with the last brought forward from 1988.

Ito against £2,193 million in £146 million earmarked by the White Paper, while British is still increased spending on reproduct the current financial year.

Compared with the last public expenditure White Pamaking losses but is much gional development grants

More police and new jails

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

Nearly 3,000 more police, prisoners. That brings the number of prisons in the two additional new prisons and paid staff for local victim building programme up to 20.

Further support of £9 milsupport schemes are among lion over three years is pro-vided for the victims of crime extra provisions m the law and order field, which is by strengthening the network expected to be an issue in the general election. of local voluntary victim sup-The total increased proport schemes. vision for the police over the next three years is £1.26 To enable the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board

to cope with an increasing oumber of applicants, its provision is increased by nearly 80 per cent in real terms from 1986-87 to 1989-90. About £7 million will be available over three years to fund a big crime prevention

The Government is allowing for an increase in immigration department staff to cope with increased pressures About £3 million is being provided over three years for organizations meeting the needs of ethnic minorities. The cost of the courts and legal aid in England and Wales is predicted to grow from an estimated £620 million this year to £770 million in

1989/90 Legal aid and its admin-istration accounts for two-thirds of the Lord Chancellor's budget. Its cost is expected to rise steadily from a total £590 million by the end of this financial year to £575 million

advertising campaign on tele-

Nationalized industries

Better cash performance expected By Edward Townsend, Industrial Correspondent

nationalized industries are than envisaged Some, notably foreseen in the new figures the Post Office and the electricity industry, are called upon to pay over far less of their profits to the Treasury. covering the state sector's borrowings in 1987 to 1989, all designed to help the Gov-

The cash deficit for the state industries in the coming year had been put at £592 million.

The British Steel Corporation, now back in profit, gets an EFL of £66 million against

Big improvements in the per in January, most sectors stimmed down, has an EFL of and higher shipbuilding financial performance of have been given lower EFLs £49 million against £73 redundancy payments.

British Rail receives the lion's share of external finance with an EFL of £751 million, followed by British Coal with £727 million.

The Department of Trade and Industry's budget for next year has been set at £1,370 million, down by £160 million on the current year, but £60

The department's budget

for the three years to 1990 is £1,110 million, £960 million and £950 million, the first two years showing a rise of £20 million on previous estimates largely because of higher planned spending on research and development grants. The Department of Trade

and industry's budget for the coming year does not include a provision for any increased funding of the troubled Rover Group, whose future is still

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MPs outraged over rebuff on ethnic number in services By Martin Fletcher, Political Reporter

The Ministry of Defence well gone out and counted" has refused to supply a Commons select committee with details of bow many blacks and Asians there are in certain units of the Armed Forces.

The refusal was contained in a letter sent to the committee on Wednesday, the same day that Mr Roger Freeman, the Under Secretary of State for the Armed Forces, announced that ethnic monitoring of recruits is to be introduced next year.

The ministry is on a direct collision course with the Select Committee on Defence, which will discuss what action to take at a meeting next week. Options include a formal demand for the information or "inviting" ministry officials to appear before the committee for questioning.

The ministry explained its refusal by saying that the statistics required do not exist. This has cut little ice with certain committee members, however, who said yesterday that the request, covering no more than 10 named units, had been made last July and skins of the Guards'

The committee is also keen to discover what promotion prospects blacks and Asians enjoy within the Armed Forces, and pointed out that this will not be disclosed by the monitoring announced by

One MP on the committee said that "considerable irritation" had been caused by

He said: "I would be very surprised if the committee lets the matter lie here. This committee has a long history when it wants information of not being fobbed off. It is

The committee asked for information on ethnic minority representation in the Armed Forces after suggestions earlier this year that blacks or Asians may be encouraged to join less fashionable branches of the Army, and the reported observation of the Prince of Wales that there were few black faces beneath the bear-

ing anderground as miners alongside their parents for a penny a day to augment the family income. Ironstone miners were paid by the ton and every extra nugget helped. But now parties of school-children — such as these from

Nearly 150 years ago, Welsh schoolchildren like these would already have been work-

Coed Eva School, Gwent — come to Big Pit at Blaenavon in South Wales for academic in South Wales for academic reasons. Big Pit, which closed as a working colliery in 1980 after nearly 200 years of mining to supply fuel and raw materials, initially for the local ironworks, was reopened in 1983 as a living mining materials and only coal and museum, the only coal and iron ere pit open to the public

Wage rules 'could cost 600,000 jobs'

A Cabinet minister said yesterday that Britain could lose up to 600,000 jobs if leftwing Euro MPs succeed in their attempt to force governments to impose minimum standards of wages and social security within the Com-

The warning from Mr Kenneth Clarke, the Minister for Employment, came a day after Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, was barracked for telling union leaders that national wage deals were costing

Mr Clarke, a president of the Labour and Social Affairs Ministers, said the proposals by the Euro Labour groupings would do nothing to help employment in Britain. "No one really knows exactly how many jobs would be lost but it would certainly be a few hundred thousand and pos-sibly as many as 600,000", be

The Labour groupings will try to force governments to adopt agreed standards on pay and benefits when the European Parliament meets next

strong rearguard action. Conscrvatives believe they will lose the vote to the socialists, who cling to entrenched positions which favour trade union power.

The split is so fundamental that it bas already led to the resignation of one Christian Democrat as a rapporteur responsible for drawing up a document on how the European labour market could be

A report by Mr Fred

In spite of mounting a Tuckman, a Conservative which argued that Europe had to earn its living before it coulo distribute wealth, was also watered down.

> Even if they win the vote next week, it is unlikely that employment ministers meeting next month will adopt the oposals. With huge anomalies such as a German worker earning in a month what a Portuguese worker earns in a year, a universal wage and social services policy would be

Libya jets grounded for lack of pilots

By Harvey Elliott Air Correspondent

Libya is unable to use two sophisticated jet planes after failing to recruit British pilots

Now Libyan Arab airlines may have to try to sell the Airhus A310s it bought last year for more than £75 million.

Libya had been trying to huy Airhus jets to replace its ageing fleet for years, but an embargo on the sale of any American equipment to Libya closed supply routes.

So the Libyans mounted a nmplicated international undercover operation to buy two Airhuses from British Caledonian, who thought the aircraft were going to a European charter organization.

The Libyans planned to use the planes for international services by the end of this year, but they had no maintenance facilities, no simulator to train engineers and pilots and no spare parts.

Advertisements appeared in technical and specialist magazines around the world for pilots and engineers, offering up to £40,000 a year tax free for anyone prepared to fly the Airbuses. But so far there bave been no takers.

The Department of Transport denied putting pressure

Bishop critical of justice for blacks

yesterday called for strong measures to eradicate racism from the criminal justice

The Bishop of Croydon, the Rt Rev Dr Wilfred Wood, said a wide-ranging anti-racist strategy was necessary if black people were to have con-

dence in the system. He told the annual meeting of the National Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders the proportion of black people in prison was more than double the propormore than double the propor-tion in the community. Black-tion in the community. Black-be trained in working in a multi-ethnic society and for a people entering prison also

significantly less likely to be granted bail than whites charged with the same types of crime, he said.

law enforcement process black people in prison. Young black people in the local hlack people were stopped and population. contributed to the number of

Maxwell

denies he

Britain's first black bishop sterday called for strong teasures to eradicate racism young black offenders in London were significantly more likely to be prosecuted and less likely to be cautioned

than comparable whites. There are numbers of people who feel that the law does nothing to protect their rights to decent bousing and fair opportunities for suitable employment. Many seem to have nothing to gain from the 'order' of society and nothing to lose by flouting it."

He called for personnel to had fewer previous convictions than whites sentenced for similar offences.

Black defendants were significantly less likely to be sented beil them whites

There were only three black judges, fewer than 2 per cent of probation staff were black, Decisions taken early in the and in most areas the percentage of black magistrates was less than half the proportion of

on street crime

brings fear
Mr Robert Maxwell, publisher of the Daily Mirror, denied a suggestion in court yesterday that his reputation inspired fear and apprehension rather than respect.

He was being cross-examined on the fourth day of his High Court libel action against Private Eye, which is secking to justify its allegation that he acted as "paymaster" for over-seas trips by Mr Neil Kinnock, the leader of the Labour Party, in an attempt be recommended for a peerage.

Mr Andrew Bateson, QC, for Private Eye, asked him: Would you agree that your reputation is one of a man who inspires fear and apprehension rather than respect?"
I would not agree," Mr
Maxwell, who is chairman of Mirror Group Newspapers,

Mr Maxwell, aged 63, said that he was "appalied and shocked" at the "cruel and wicked" allegations against him by Private Eye.He said that they had not sought to that they had not sought to justify the allegations.

In cross-examination he denied threatening Mr Kinnock that if he did not attend an anniversary party at the Daily
Mirror the paper would not
cover his African tour.

The magazine denies libel and claims what they published was true. They are counter claiming libel damages over a Daily Mirror article last July which labelled them "The Public Lie".

In his opening speech to the jury, Mr Bateson said "It is part of my clients' case that Mr Maxwell has a generally bad reputation and is an ambitious self-publicist and a

Yard drive

By Stewart Tendier Crime Reporter

Scotland Yard is to use undercover police patrols and surveillance operations to combat street crime in five inner city areas of London.

The decision to allocate more resources to fight street crime was taken this week at a two-day conference of the Yard's top officers.

They have identified Lambeth, Southwark, Hackney and parts of Haringey and Brent as areas of concern. Local commanders are to

use members of the newlyformed tactical support units, which come into operation in January as riot teams, to mount a plainclothes opera-tion. They will monitor places which attract street crime, such as lonely alleys and underpasses.

Detectives will also be added to local intelligence units to target suspects with established records for street

The concentration on street crime comes at a time when the Yard is considering greater use of civilian staff as one way of using its stretched police manpower. The police staff of the computerized information room, which handles London's 999 calls, could be replaced by civilian operators, who might also take over the manning of the computerized command centres at di-

visional police stations. The Metropolitan Police is continuing to fail to meet its establishment level, because of natural wastage and officers leaving the force, often to transfer to other parts of the

bully."
The hearing continues.

Print leaders face fine

Two print union leaders at he Mirror Group were warned by a High Court judge were guilty of a "flagrant" breach of an injunction the Mirror Group were warned by a High Court judge in London yesterday that they faced "substantial" fines and possible suspended jail sentences after he had found them guilty of contempt of

Mirror.

Mr Justice Mars-Jones said he will give his decision today on what penalty to impose on Mr Thomas Harrison, father (chairman) of Mirror Group Newspapers graphics chapel (office branch), and his dep-

granted to the Mirror Group by holding a chapel meeting on September 19 which halted production of the Daily

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Ridley backs free market to increase rented housing

rented housing sector, includ-ing higher rents for council deregulatinn of the private rented market, were hinted at vesterday by Mr Nicholas
Ridley. Secretary of State for authority rent is £16 a week.

Mr Ridley, the Cabinet's tion and leading enthusiast of the free market spoke of his ideal for the rented sector as being "a pretty complete marfreely from one part of the country to another, from big-

the Environment. those hnuses is £28 a week, and the private sector would keenest exponent of privatiza- need to let that house at £30 a week if a good landlord, with ordinary finance, is even going to cover his costs, let alnne much of an element for where people can innve profit."

He said that rent levels in the public and private made his desired expansion of the

they choose to rent".

He made clear, in an interview with New Society maga-

rents are too low.
"The average incal

Radical changes in the appropriate rent for whatever achieve, and he foreshadowed changes on security of tenure thinking they have got their for new lettings in the private tenancies for life, they have for new lettings in the private

Many of the ideas floated by Mr Ridley in his interview, and other equally far-reaching ones, are on the agenda for the secret Conservative manifesto group on housing, which Mr Ridley chairs.

He is understood to want to go further and faster towards a completely free market in housing than Mr John Patten, Minister for Housing.

On rent control, Mr Ridley said: "There are grave prob-lems in dismantling it for existing tenants because of

was the biggest block on the provision of more private housing because it simply was oot economic at existing fair rent levels to provide a house.

have got into the habit of

built their lives round that.

"Whether they should have

had them in the first place is a

totally separate question, but

the vast amount of political

upheaval and upset involved in taking away those rights is

He adds, however, "But you can certainly do this for new

He said that control on rent

The security of tenure problem was much more for the private individual who had a few properties to let and found that, when something went wrong in his life, his asset was Mr Ridley said: "So one has

the choice between going the whole hog and doing away with both of them, or dealing with the rents problem alone. I do oot think that dealing with the security of tenure problem and not the rents problems would have any effect at all." He defended mortgage tax relief, although asked about

the long term, he said: "Clearly if housing policy ning vital supply convoys to Russia.

Mr Zamyatin told the former sailers, members of the North Russia Club, that the war, were "tokens of our gratitude" from the Presidium

of the Supreme Soviet.

The presentations were made at the Russian embassy in London. Mr Zamyatin will present 148 other members of British convoys, which ran

Soviet ports of Murmansk and Polyanoe from 1941 to 1945, were constantly under attack

Mr Nelson, from Gilling-ham, Kent, who served on the destroyer, HMS Whitehall, on 10 convoys, said: "It was a terrible time and the physical hardships we endured were far worse than the torpedoes. But then I had a charmed life and the ship was never hit."

(Photograph: Tim Bishop).

Guinness kidnap

ordeal Mrs Jennifer Guinness, a banker's wife, endured an eight-day ordeal at the hands of a kidnap gang after being seized at gunpoint from her 95 per cent chance of having a home, the Circuit Criminal healthy baby. Court in Dublin was told

Mr Anthony Kennedy, for the prosecution, said Mrs Guinness, who was tied up, chained and masked for some of the time, feared for her life because of the changing mood

of her captors. She was held at four different addresses before being released unharmed after an overnight siege ontside a house in Waterloo Road,

Dublin, on April 16. Brian McNicholl, aged 49, of Waterloo Road, Dublin, who is said to have admitted organizing the kidnapping, pleaded not guilty to falsely imprisoning Mrs Guinness and to having a gun with

intent to endanger life. were arrested in or near the house from which Mrs Guinness was freed. Mr McNicholl was detained by Major Barnaby Rolfe-Smith police later that day when he turned up at the house with a woman friend, Mrs Clara

Mrs Lenihan lived at the Waterloo Road address but had oothing to do with the kidnapping, Mr Kennedy said. On the day Mrs Guinness

was due to be moved to the siege house, they drove to Co Westmeath and saw a friend of Mr McNicholl, Mr James

Mr McNicholl, said to have been ashen-faced, asked to talk to Mr Clark urgeotly and told him: "I am in terrible trouble; my boys kidnapped Mrs Guinness". He later added: "My boys would never tell oo me. I organized the kidnapping."Mr McNicholl and Mrs Lenihan then drove back to Dublin to be met by

Mr Kennedy told the jury it was as plain as a "pikestaff" that a lot of force was used throughout the kidnapping. Three other men have already been jailed for their part

Guinness from her home at Howth, Dublin, in an unsuccessful attempt to get a £2 millioo ransom. On Wednesday, Anthony Kelly, who is sought by Yorkshire police in connection with crimes including the murder of a police sergeant in Leeds, was sentenced to 14

in the kidnapping of Mrs

years by the court. Last May, John and Michael Cunningham, brothers, were imprisoned for 17 years **Teachers** asked to help find boy

Teachers in private schools have been asked by a High Court judge to watch for a missing boy after his father refused to tell the court where

The judge, Mr Justice Shel-don, lifted reporting restric-tions and asked for help in an attempt to find the boy. Peres Kane, aged 11, who is a ward of court, after his father, Mr Erich Kane, a wealthy inter-47, admitted sending hi bearding school in England but refused to say which one

The boy's mother, Mrs Elizabeth Kane, aged 44, lives in Belgium but has been staying with relatives in Colbrook Avenue, Eating, west London, since her search for her son began io September.
She had sent him on a two-

week holiday to his grandparents in Vienna in July, and he went from there to his father's home in Switzerland. But be failed to return the boy to her.

There are no clues as to which school he is at, but the noge ordered anyone who knows where he is to come forward and tell.

£8,000 award in blood case

Miss Caroline Morgan, who was given the wrong type of blood during an operation at St Lawrence Hospital, Chepstow, was yesterday awarded £8.265 damages in the High Court and given

hope by the judge. Miss Morgan, aged 28, of Lambeth, south London, had thought the mistake would mean she could not have a baby by a man with thesus positive blood, but Mr Justice Boreham said medical advances meant she had a 90 to

Appeals fee under attack

The Equal Opportunities Commission claims today that a government plan to charge applicants to industrial tribunals a £25 fee would damage progress against sex discrimination by stopping women making justified claims. The Government hopes a fee will cut "the cost and management effort required to deal with ill-founded claims to iodustrial sion says that adequate saleguards against these claims

Three men sentenced earlier | Major cleared

an officer in The Parachute Regiment, was withdrawn when the case came before magistrates at Aldershot,

Hampshire, yesterday.
Major Rolfe-Smith, aged 38, a veteran of the Falklands campaign, had been accused of stealing goods worth £3.17 from a Gateway supermarket in Fleet, Hampshire, oo August 22. But at yesterday's hearing the prosecution offered no evidence.

Nurses return from Saudi

detained in Saudi Arabia for a week for breaking Islamic law arrived back in London yes-terday, the last of 29 British medical staff deported from Riyadh.

The two ourses and a secretary at the Military Hospital in Rivadh were arrested for accepting a lift from an unrelated man, which is an offence under Saudi law.

Court upholds school closure

A small Essex community yesterday lost its High Court battle to save Ongar Com-prehensive School which won the National Curriculum Award in 1984.

The court ruled that the county council had carried out adequate consultations before deciding to close it in 1989 because of

Fixed price heat saves bill worries for elderly

The Electricity Council announced yesterday the introduction of a remotecontrolled heating

designed specifically for el-derly people.

The scheme, called Budget Warmth, will be operational in six electricity board areas where more than 5,000 systems will be installed this

About 40,000 more elderly people die in winter than during the rest of the year, according to the British Medical Association. Many of those deaths are caused by

hypothermia. Budget Warmth will provide customers with oneroom heating at a known weekly cost ranging from £2.28 to £4.37. The heating is remotely controlled by the Electricity Board via radio

The scheme, which has been introduced on a pilot basis, is part of a drive to ensure that those most vulnerable to the cold have adequate heating without the worry of bills. Sir Philip Jones, chairman of the Electricity Council, said that the Budget Warmth scheme was being introduced on a pilot basis to see if customers, especially the elderty and infirm, found it belight.

weather forecasts.

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"We hope that the scheme will ease their worries about beating hills and ensure that they keep warm throughout the winter," Sir Philip said. The boards taking part in the scheme are Eastern. East Midlands, North Eastern South Eastern, Southern and

tinn. and to pay the private sector more difficult in habits and history. People Gazumping risk over delays

House huyers risk being gazumped as a result of excessive delays by local authorities in undertaking local searches. In some cases prospective purchases are being delayed by more than four m

The problem has become so acute that huyers are using private firms which make personal searches within 24 hours for between £40 and £70

The matter has been taken up by the Law Society's nonious husiness committee, which says it is ety Gazette.

"extremely concerned" about the delays, particularly among

Such delays "make it impossible", the committee says, for prospective purchasers to nhtain replies by post in

This prejudices those trying to buy who "run the risk of being gazumped because they cannot exchange contracts un they obtain essential says in this week's Law Soci-

By Frances Gibh Legal Affairs Correspondent Solicitors are being invited to submit evidence of delays of more than four weeks. Already there have been complaints against Toubridge and Malling in Kent, and the London boroughs of Newham, Tower Hamlets and Lambeth.

> searches to Lambeth on September 4 and had received no reply by October 30. He was told that searches were taking 15 to 16 weeks. The reason given was "shortage of staff and pressure of

One London solicitor sent

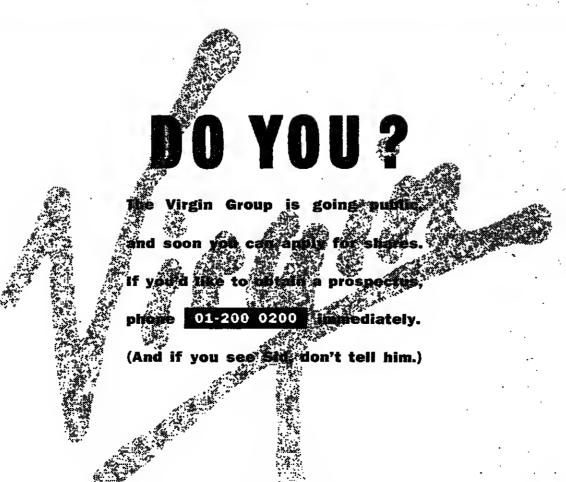
Former Chief Petty Officer John Nelson, aged 73, receiv-ing a commemorative medal yesterday from Mr Leonid Zamyatin, the Soviet ambassador to London, for "services to the USSR during the Sec-

end World War". Mr Nelson was among 122 Royal Navy veterans pre-sented with gold campaign medals for their role in run-

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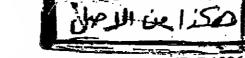
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WORLD SUMMARY

landmark bill n immigration

Washington — President Reagan yesterday signed an storic immigration bill aimed at stemming the flood of illions of illegal aliens into the United States (Mohsin Ali

He described the bill as the most comprehensive reform US immigration laws since 1952, and said: Tuture generations of Amerians will be thankful for our efforts to humanely regain control of our borders, and thereby preserve the value of one of the most sacred possessions of

our people, American citizenship."

The landmark bill provides amnesty for illegal aliens who came to the United States before 1982 and civil and criminal penalties for employers who hire illegal aliens in

According to official estimates there may be as many as eight to 12 million aliens living illegally in the United States, and 6 million more atte mainly across the 2,000-mile US-Mexican border.

Prices trozen

Athens - Greece yesterday ordered a threemonth price freeze on all goods and services to discourage profiteering over the introduction of value ded tax on January 1 (Mario Modiano writes).

A presidential decree that Parliament must ratify within 40 days ruled that all prices remain at the level of November 4 matil January 31. Offenders face six months' jail or a fine of £2,600, or both.

Bonn - Chancellor Kohl, already in international trouble over his Gorbachov-Goebbels gaffe, yesterday ran into domestic flak on it in a stormy debate in the Bonn

Herr Kohl had once again said he regretfed that a false impression had arisen from his interview with the US news magazine Newsweek that he had compared Mr Mikhail

Baby for dissident

Tel Aviv (Reuter) - Mrs Avital Sharansky, wife of former Soviet dissident Mr Anatoly Sharansky, yesterday gave birth to a daughter nine months after being remited with her

A Sec.

Mrs Sharansky, aged 36, emigrated to Israel a day after their marriage in July 1974, but Mr Sharansky was refused an exit

Life jail for spy

Baltimore (Reuter) — Former Navy officer and admitted spy John Walker ncurrent life terms for masterminding an es-pionage ring that sold mili-tary secrets to the Soviet

Union for 17 years. His son, Michael, a former Navy seaman, was jailed for 25 years for his role in the scheme. The judge said he wanted Walker to serve out his sentence for the rest of his

Kohl under fire again

Parliament (John England writes).

The Social Democratic and Greens opposition parties called for him to be relieved of his post, and said his "laughable" attempts to mend fences with Moscow over his "incredible" blunder were too little, too late.

Gorbachov, the Soviet leader, to Dr Josef Goebbels, the

Kim may not run

Seoul - Mr Kim Dae Jung, the prominent opposition leader, has said that he will not run for president in 1988 if the Government heeds his call for direct presidential elections (NYT reports).

Western diplomats and opposition politicians here say his decision will put the Government on the defensive and reinvigorate the

Call for 'bipartisan co-operation' after election battering Reagan to woo Senate

From Michael Binyon Washington

President Reagan's defiant statement that he has no intention of becoming a "lame duck" during his last two years comes as he is preparing to adopt a concilatory approach to the newly-elected Demo-cratic-controlled Senate.

Mr Reagan said he was looking forward to a period of "hard work and bipartisan co-operation" when Congress returns in January - in contrast to his earlier predictions during the election campaign of two years of stalemate" if the Republicans lost control of the

But the President, known for his pragmatism when the odds are against him, will probably spend much more time consulting Democratic leaders and briefing senators on his measures and more controversial proposals

Administration officials admit that the situation is now much more difficult for him, and conciliation is the watchword However, they insist that he will press forward with his political agenda un-changed and will make no concessions in maintaining US military preparedness and reducing domestic govern-

ment spending.

"For this administration, peace through strength is more than a policy: it's a promise a promise we've made to the



ELECTIONS people and a promise we intend to keep," Mr Reagan said. "Hope alone can never

lead to agreement with the The White House now has time to work out a strategy of

how to co-operate with Congress, as the long recess gives the Administration some breathing space. It is hoping to establish new momentum in arms control talks as a way of building up

bipartisan support on foreign policy in an area where there is broad agreement between Democrats and Republicans. One confrontation is likely to develop, however, on trade policy as the Democrats will use their new strength to press for further protectionist mea-

Already Senator Robert Byrd of West Virginia, the



Senator Robert Byrd of West Virginia, right, receiving a silk jacket from Senator George Mitchell of Maine as a memento of the 55-45 Senate advantage the Democrats hold. Other areas promising likely

clashes are Central America

and funds for the President's Strategic Defence Initiative.

stand in opposing further help for the contra rebels in nica-

Minnesota

Montana

Nevada

New Jersey

New York

3 D James Howard (64)

30 D Louise Slaughter (R)

North Carolina

tl D James Clarke (R)

2 R Barbara Vucanovich (82)

The Democrats will be

majority leader-designate, has said a new trade Bill will be on the President's desk as soon as

Mr Donald Regan, the White House Chief of Staff, said the Democrats will have trouble finding enough votes to override the veto which Mr Reagan is certain to impose on any harshly protectionist leg-

country. Late results from the polling The following results in the Michigan

House of Representatives were declared too late for yesterday's early editions. The figure for the district number is followed by the winning party and candidate's name. Lines in bold indicate the seat changed hands. A date in brackets shows when an incumbent was first elected. New representatives have D or R in brackets to indicate the party that previously held the

California 38 R Robert Dorman (76) Illinois 21 D Charles Price (44)

war is deeply unpopular throughout most of the

Washington 1 R John Miller (84) 2 R Vin Weber (80) 2 R Ron Marlenee (76)

10 R Andy Ireland (76) though the vote tallies were

Geoffrey Smith Sometimes in politics small

COMMENTARY

Black voters in southern states played a central role in causes have much larger con-sequences. So it is likely to scuttling President Reagan's prove with the Democratic

So when I arrived in the

Democrats taking over com-mittee chairmanships would

be on the moderate wing of the

party and they would not wish

But the more I have spoken

to Republicans themselves, in

and out of the Administration.

the more I have come to revise

that initial judgment. A

distinction should be drawn

between the effect of the loss of

With another President, the

damage might have been severe. Here is a leader who

campaigned extensively, who

attacked his opponents, often

in harsh personal terms, who

apparently committed much political capital to the straggle

and whose appeal was then rejected by the voters in the

But Mr Reagan has a

by failure or by disagreement.

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The impact of the Senate

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races that mattered most.

hopes of retaining Republican control of the Senate. party's recapture of the The result points to a trend that threatens to make the Democrats the "black" party American Senate. The mid-term elections were not a test of President Reagan's popularity. With a of Dixie, while the Repub-licans become the "white" few exceptions, such as agricultural policy in some of the farming states, they were not ebout issues of any national The black turnout nation-

ally was close to the overall national turnout of about 38 per cent, far greater than usual, and the result of an-United States at the end of last intensive black voter registraweek, I thought it might not make all that much difference tion drive. Republican hopes of a funwhether or not the Repub-licans managed to keep control of the Senate. Most of the

Blacks

flocked

to vote

From Christopher Thomas Washington

damental realignment in Dixie away from the historical support of the Democratic Party may be coming true in the case of whites, although the process is obviously happening slowly. But support for the Democrats was as high as 88 per cent. This polarization in the

to pick a fight with a President who retained his astonishing personal popularity. Senate races was less striking in the voting pattern for the House of Representatives and for state legislatures. But the trend is unmistakable. According to exit polls the white vote in Senate races in Alaemboldened to take a tougher the Senate on Mr Reagan himself and on the Adminbama, North Carolina Lousiana and California split ragua, knowing that the us roughly equally overall be-tween Republicans and involvement in this shadowy Democrats. But the black vote was monolithically Democrat.

Texas 14 R David Sweeney (84)

personal standing that tran-In Addition the district 10 sceods normal political considerations. It does not result for Florida was at first declared for the wrong can-didate. The result should have appear to be diminished either

He may not be able to win enough votes for his support-In the results of guberers but be will retain the natorial races yesterday Democrat Anthony Earl was inadvertently denoted the winner in Wisconsin, alsevere, however, on his Administration. That is true

correct. The winner was

Republican Tommy Thomp-

did not do at all badly in the other elections this week. At this stage, after six years in office and with no more than another two years to go, some exodus of people just below Cabinet level would have been expected anyway. Some are exhausted and others will want to move to incrative jobs outside government while this Administration remains in office and their connection with it confers prestige. This ex-odes will now be all the greater because it will become signifi-cantly harder for the Administration to get any fresh initiative through Congress.

The Democratic leadership in the Senate is unlikely to go out of its way to quarrel with the Administration. It will be wary of Mr Reagan's continuing popularity and it will not want to present a target for Republican criticism in 1988.

None the less, there will be some areas where the Democrats will be expected to make things difficult for the Administration — on aid for the Contras in Nicaragua, for example, on defence spending In general and possibly on the Strategic Desence Initiative in particular. There will be a good many more areas where they will not be deliberately disruptive but where they will be less helpful and less prepared to take political risks than Republican comm chairmen would have been.

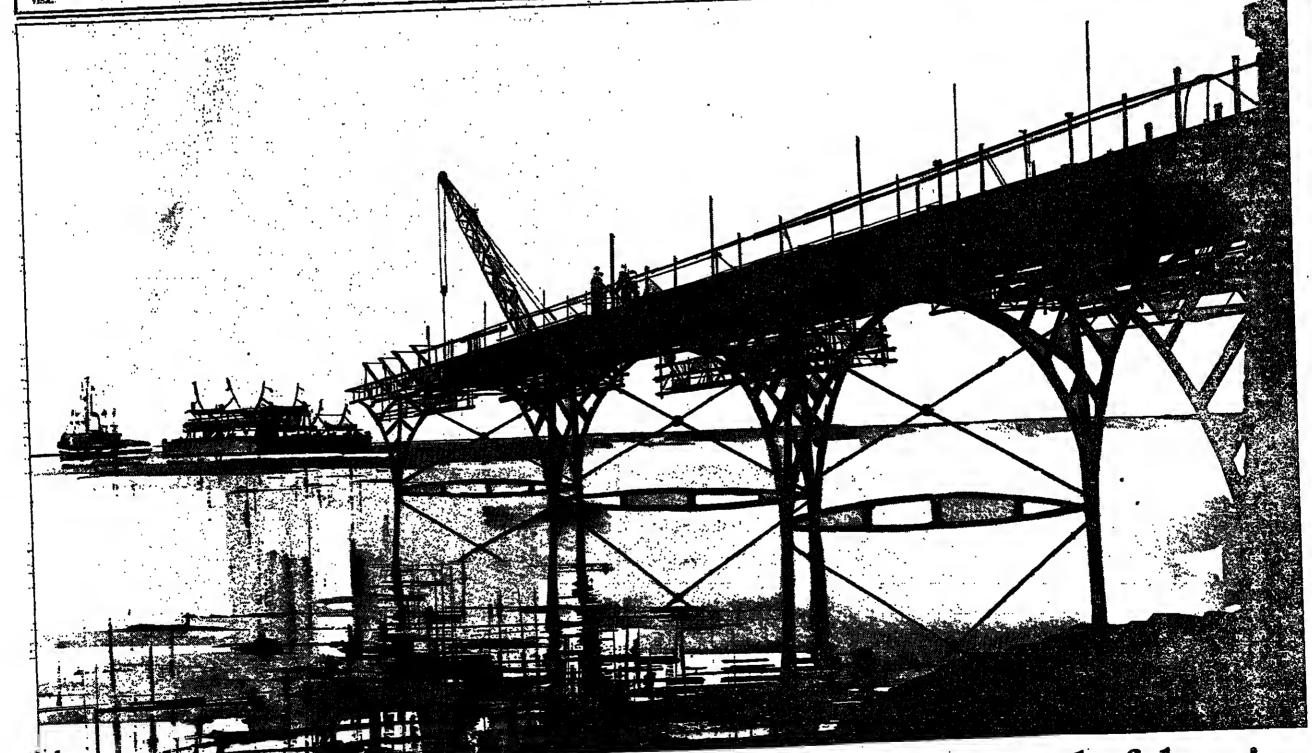
Scope for positive action restricted

These tendencies will reinforce each other. The more people leave the Administration at that critical level where the specifics of policy initia-tives are developed, the fewer bold new ideas will be presented to Congress. The more Congress resists new initiatives, the more likely it is that capable people will leave the Administration because they feel that they can no longer

accomplish much. Even if the change of personnel within the Administration — and also on the Senate committee staffs now that the Democrats are taking over the chairmanships - were only to slow down the policy flow for a while, it would still be a critical loss of momentum,

There could not in the best of circumstances be much more than a year available to the Reagan Administration for substantial new initiatives. From early 1988 the political process will become over-whelmed by the presidential primaries.

So the prospect is not of a lame duck President, but of an Administation whose scope for positive action will be much



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From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

the military wing of the outgress (ANC) and planting bombs in three police stations earlier this year was sentenced vesterday to 25 years to prison for treason and arson.

There were cries of "Amandla, Awethu" ("Power to the people") from the mixed crowd packed into the public gallery of the Rand Supreme Court as the Miss Marioo Sparg, holding a bouquet of vellow chrysanthemums given to her by a sympathizer, was escorted from the court by

Sparg, aged 28, who is one of the few whites and still fewer white women to be convicted of treason, pleaded guilty to all the charges against her. She accepted the judge's verdict with composure, and even managed a smile for her tearful mother in the gallery.

During the first two days of the three-day trial, Sparg wore a black suit and a green shirt. point in her life was the death and yesterday added a yellow ribbon to complete the three colours of the ANC flag.She said that she regarded herself not as a traitor but as "a soldier and patriot" fighting to rid South Africa of the evil of apartheid, which she saw as a crime agaiost humanity and a

threat to world peace. "Apartheid has to be destroyed and the only way to do so is by going to war," she said. "My motives, I feel, are not those of a murderer or killer or even of a saboteur . . . My motive is that of not one who is conscripted.

March of this year in toilets in lawed African National Con-police stations in East London and Johanneshurg, and to petrol-bombing offices of the liberal opposition Progressive Federal Party (PFP) five years

> The limpet mines caused considerable damage and slightly wounded several policemen and civilians.

> Sparg told the court she was fully aware that the mines could have killed people, but said she regarded the police as "combatants" and had tried to minimize the risk to civilians.

Police statioos were symbols of the system which was protectiog apartheid. Sparg maintained. She said she regretted the bombing of the PFP offices. She had been "confused and immature" at the time. She still disagreed with the party, but would not choose it as a target now.

Sparg said that a turning-



Marion Sparg: admitted planting limpet mines.

A white woman who con-fessed to being a member of limpet mines in February and Consciousoess leader, in pol-Consciousoess leader, in pol-ice custody in 1977.

She had been horrified by the lack of coocern of fellow white students at Rhodes University where she had been studying journalism at the time.

After practising for a while as a journalist, she left South Africa illegally io 1981, going to Botswana and then to

From there she was seot by the ANC, which has its headquarters in Lusaka, the Zambian capital, to a camp in Angola for three months military training.

Sparg spent three years in Lusaka working in the ANC's information and publicity department, and was infiltrated back into South Africa via Lesotho in 1985 on a false

Early this year she and an accomplice smuggled eight limpet mines into South Africa from Lesotho in the backdoor panels of a hired car.

The judge, Mr Justice P J van der Walt, said it was "providential" that no-one had been killed as the result of Sparg's actions, and told her.
"Had lives been lost, you would almost certaioly have received the death penalty."

 Boesak pledge: Dr Allan Boesak, Moderator of the Coloured branch of the Dutch Reformed Church, said on Wednesday night that he would not hesitate to repeat acts for which he had been charged with suhversion by the Government.

Soviet military chief may go soon

From Christopher Walker Moscow

A shake-up at the top level of the Soviet military es-tablishment is believed to be imminent following persistent rumours about the failing health of the Defeore Minister, Marshal Sergei Sokolov, who is 75.

The speculation inteosified yesterday when the ageing minister conspicuously failed lo attend a major Kremlin rally to mark the 69th anniverary of the Bolshevik

ern military sources, the minister has oot been seen in public since last July when he paid an official trip to Finland.

Rumours about his failing health gathered momentum with the publication of an official notice in the armed forces oewspaper Red Star oo Wednesday stating that in a break with tradition he would nol be taking the salute at the annual military parade through Red Square.

An order, signed by the Commander of the Moscow According to senior West- Military District, Vladimir perts by surprise.

Archipov, said that the parade would be presided over instead hy Geoeral Pyotr Lushev, the man most widely tipped by both Western and Soviet sources to take over the important defence portfolio. Harvest np: A dramatic improvement in the Soviet output of grain was claimed yesterday by Mr Yigor Ligachev, the No 2 figure in the Kremlio heirarchy, who said that the harvest for 1986 was now expected to reach 210 million toones. The figure caught most international ex-



Three American sailors toasting Chen Mimi, of the Chinese Navy, with local beer during a visit to a brewery at Qingdao yesterday. The occasion was part of the first official visit by three US warships to China in 57 years.

Deadlock in Vienna

Shultz and Shevardnadze bury hopes

From Andrew McEwen, Vienna

The brief Reykjavik flower-ing of hope for an end to the era of nuclear "overkill" yes-terday remained where Presi-setback for the America their proposals tomorrow, but Vienna has been a major setback for the Americans in dent Reagan and Mr Gorba-

effective.

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ooe of a range of problems.

Another of these is of far

ore fundamental importance

to Nato. The Russians refuse

to concede any automatic

verification procedure to en-

sure compliance with an ag-

reement to withdraw most So-

viet and Nato troops from

chov left it - in limbo. Two Vienna meetings between Mr George Shultz, the American Secretary of State, and his Soviet opposite num-ber, Mr Eduard Shevard-

nadze, ended in deadlock. Short of a climbdown from fixed positions, there is now no prospect of anything but piece-meal preparatory agreements in the near fature.

The original plan - that Reykjavik should pave the way for an historic disarmament summit - have been shelved.

President Reagan hopes that agreement will be reached before his term ends now look remote, although, as Mr Shultz pointed out yesterday, "two years is a long time".

The two foreign ministers have set no date for another meeting. The focus switches to the humbler level of the Geoeva strategic arms talks.

Mr Max Kampelman, the chief US arms negotiator, believes the Soviets will table Shevardnadze meetings made no headway on these dif-

The situation holds the the struggle for European hearts and minds. As a platpotential for yet another public relations disaster for the West form to hammer home the next year. Last June the Soviet message that the American obsession with Star Wars is blocking world peace it could hardly have been more Warsaw Pact proposed that each side should withdraw half a million troops, and at Vienna Mr Shevardnadze suggested a framework of ne-The reality is somewhat gotiation and a "test" proceddifferent, as American experts struggled to explain yesterday. Far from being the only bar-rier to agreement, the Strate-gic Defence Initiative is hut

are for verification. These ideas fall far short of the West's minimum needs. The decision as to how to respond rests on the Nato foreign inisters at a meeting next

If they refuse the so-called Budapest Appeal on troop cuts, the West will be open to further charges of obstruction. but to accept on the Soviet terms would be a hig gamble.

The Vienna outcome came ceotral Europe. The Soviet idea of verificaas no surprise to the British Government, which considers tion woule be no more than a hopes for a world without nuclear weapons unrealistic.

right to request an inspection after receiving evidence of Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, is openly voic-American and Soviet exing his doubts that the Soviet perts who worked late into the Union wants such a world. night between the two Shultz-Cynics within the US

Administration take this line of thought further. Some interpret the Vienna meeting as confirmation of their worst fears - that the entire Reykjavik-Vienna process was nothing more than a Kremlin

propaganda exercise.

My opinion is that they would try to lay the founda-tions for a PR campaign to de-nigrate the US," a senior Administration hawk said yes-

The Soviet public relations triumph at Reykjavik and Vi-enna has been so total that it is the Americans who have the explaining to do. Mr Shultz and Mr Shevardnadze have that vital political quality the ability to radiate personal trustworthiness. But the Soviet Foreign Minister holds the balance of advantage with better speech writers, a warmer manner and a more moder-

Vienna was virtually an action replay on Reykjavik, with a crestfalleo Mr Shultz reporting failure while Mr Shevardnadze ruhbed salt in the wound with his airport departure statement that the talks "had

left a hitter taste".

Flowes but no tears for genera

From Roger Boye. Warsaw

Poland's secret policien. the vintage and the seing, joined soldiers veteran and new, yesterday, to say fartell to General Mieczysw Moczar, one of the strongst and most sinister politicis io the country's post-war h-

The unexpected mourner t vesterday's funeral service wa General Jaruzelski, the Polis. leader, who could not be class ed as an admirer of the former loterior Minister. General Moczar, during one of several pushes for the leadership. helped to stir up a vicious anti-semitic campaign in 1968 that prompted many hundreds of Polish jews to leave their jobs or their country.

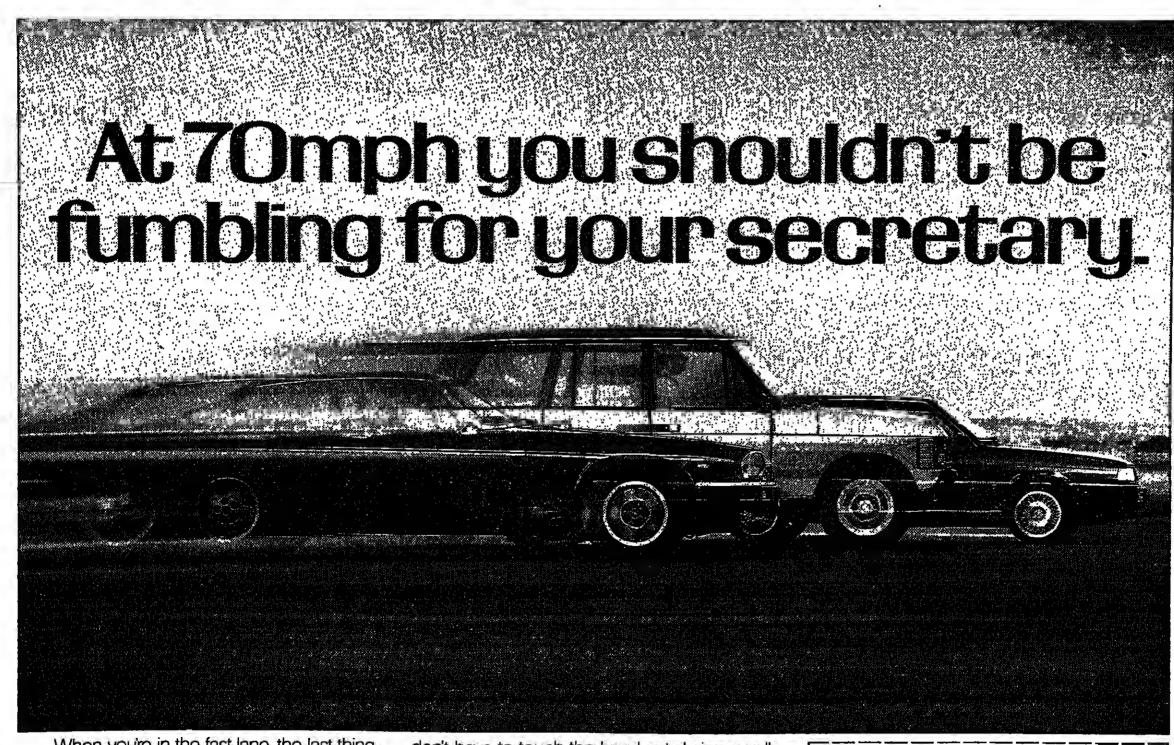
Proefessor Henryk Jablonski, former head of the Polish state. now chairman of the War Veteran's Association. reviewed General Moczar's career from pre-war communist, to partisan leader, to secret police chief io Lodz, to Interior Minister and on, by means of a series of sidesteps,

into influential obscurity.
"Comrade Moczar shaped hy history but he also gave it shape," Professor Jab-lonski said io his speech, which sped, like a skater on thin ice, over the events of

1968. The pile of wreaths included those from the Communist Party - for, despite his jostling with party leaders Mr Wladyslaw Gomulka, Mr Edward Gierek and Mr Stanislaw Kania, he remained a true believing communist until the end. Another wreath came from Interior Ministry employees the ministry which oversees the secret and uniformed police and which for so long served as his political base.

Geoeral Moczar evolved a kind of nationalistic communism, which both embraced and distanced itself from the Soviet Unioo - to some that was an attractive philosophy, to others an excuse to indulge in the crudest of chauvinisms.

Those in power drifted away, those out of power stayed, strangely connected to the man in the coffin. They dispersed, shaking off the rain, only when the coffin was loaded into a bus for the last trip to a family grave near Lublin. It was an unsentimental departure belitting an unsentimental politician.



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some street demonstrations in

the Basque region yesterday against the French move.

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rights io the Bay of Biscay and over the admission to EEC markets of Mediterranean

products — rivalling those from Spain — from North African countries.

best customer but only third supplier of goods and services, and that position has been slipping since Spain joined the

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EEC last January.

France is currently Spain's

The two countries have, for

Jacques Chirac, the in Paris unknown under the mech Prime Minister, held French Socialist Government. private cooversations The six Basques nanocut specific for Felipe González, a Spanish opposite number, furing his ooe-day visit here esterday. The visit took place at a time when Franco-Spanish opposite number, furing his opening transferred under the Anti-Terrorism Law to Spain's maximum security jail, where if a time when Franco-Span-ish collaboration against terrorism has never been better. The handing over early yesterday to Spain of six Spanish Basques, all alleged ETA members, de-

tained by French police after a raid on a factory just inside the French border on Wednesday, was the biggest since last summer, when France started a policy of summary extra-

All the political parties in Madrid praised the French actioo, seen here yesterday as a serious blow for the Basque terrorist organization's

The haul included not only sophisticated weapons but also internal papers relating to ETA's financial situation and future plans for armed attacks. ETA's financial situation and future plans for armed attacks.

Spain's ruling Socialist Party is enjoying a degree of cooperation from the more closely with the French conservative administration communications industry.

Protests in Spain over guerrillas' expulsion Madrid, - The Spanish to a French-registered tre to a French-registered truck

and stoned the headquarters of the ruling Socialist party.

Protesters marched through the streets of San Sebastian chanting slogans against the French and Spanish governments. Earlier a bomb blew out the display privators of Basque country erupted in protests yesterday against France's expulsion of six suspected separatist guerrillas as French Prime Minister Jacques Chirac paid his first official visit to Madrid.

Demonstrators blocked mo- out the display window of a torways and roads around book shop specializing in several Basque towns, set fire Basque-language texts.



Chile students riot

Fellow students aiding one of the five high school pupils hurt during clashes with police in Santiago yesterday. More than 100 students were arrested when police stopped a group which had seized control of a high school asking for democratic freedom in the educational system. At a seminar on national security on Wednesday, Airforce Colonel Carlos Castro, commentions on the marging in the elections for Castro, commenting on the results in the elections for national student leadsers, won by the centre-left, said: "The universities are falling into the hands of the marxists."

Lima's reformist mayor ends myth of bungling left

three-year term in office, facelift of downtown Lima, which comes to a close with the municipal elections in Peru on Sunday, has done much to change the face of the city and the workings of Peruvian politics.

As the first freely-elected Marxist mayor of a Latin American capital, he and his United Left coalitoo have moved into political respeclability, which would theoreti-cally include a shot at national

power.
"The Barrantes mayoralty has shattered the myth of the left's incompetence in administrative power," said Señor Mirko Lauer, a political

analyst.
Lima is a sprawling city of oearly six million inhabitants caught in a two-pronged urban pincher. Its inner city suffers from deterioration as commercial interest move out to more attractive, oew business districts. But it is also surrounded by shanty towns where nearly half the population clammer for basic services like water and light.

In the past, municipal gov-ernment has done little but rubber-stamp birth certifi-cates, raise statues in parks and keep street vendors from usurping whole blocks — often unsuccessfully. There have only been five free municipal elections io 150 years of independence so there was little precedent oo which to build.

Señor Barrantes inherited a city hall which was unable to meet its moothly payrolls. Today the budget is out of the red, topping \$121 million (285 million). The investment budget has been increased 11-fold from 1984 levels, in part due to an \$83 million World Bank lease for urban infrastruture. loan for urban infrastructure. After fighting for 18 mooths to get municipal finances

Mayor Alfonso Barrantes's antes undertook a major painting historic buildings and plazas in vivid tones, rerouting traffic and buses away from congested streets and remodeling main boulevards. More than 150 miles of roads

have been repaired or paved. In social services, an area where municipal government has rarely ventured. Senor Barrantes also fulfilled his most cootroversial campaign promise - to set up 8,000 neighbourhood committees to distribute one million breakfast rations a day to children io underprivileged neigh-bourhoods where he is affec-tionately called "Uncle Bean".

However, many solutions are out of the reach of the city administration as it fends with state companies, which provide public services like water and electricity and the national Government of President Alan Garcia.

Many critics three years ago were predicting disaster under the Marxists, but balanced budgets and improved management and services have proved doom-sayers wrong, though it may oot be sufficient to win re-election on Sunday.

Perhaps the change of great-est political significance has occurred inside the United Left itself. The six-party elec-toral alliance includes the Peking-style and Moscow-line communist parties plus homegrown brands of Marxists, socialists and independents.

It has been held together by Señor Barrantes's political

Señor Barrantes, once again the underdog as he was in 1984, will have to push hard to swing enough votes from his two opponents to the right. But for the first time io Peru, a Marxist candidate will be running on his record, not oo revolutionary manifestos. under control, Senor Barr-

Colombia clash kills 16

Bogota (Reuter) - Fifteeo left wing guerrillas and a soldier were killed in a clash in north-castern Colombia, and rebels blew up a vital oil pipeline in Cesar.

An army spokesman said the clash, on the eve of the anniversary of the siege of the Bogotá law courts in which nearly 100 people died, was in the province of Antioquia.

Children die

Jakarta (AFP) - Four sleep-ing children were killed wheo a huge boulder rolled down a West Sumatrao hill after heavy rain near Padan and crushed two houses.

Boy released

Buenos Aires (Reuter) - An Argentine boy aged 11, kid-napped by security forces during military rule in 1977 and placed in the care of a policeman, has been returned to relatives.

Gold swoop

Kathmandu (AFP) - Customs officers arrested four people at Kathmandu ioternational airport, two of them politicians, for allegedly trying to smuggle £180,000 of gold into Nepal.

Blast admitted

Osaka (AFP) — A Japanese gangster has coofessed that he exploded a hand grenade on a Thai airliner that made an emergency landing here after an explosion oo board on October 26, according to

Artist held

Nairobi (AP) - Mr Paul Kelemba, editorial cartoooist for Kenya's largest-selling newspaper, the Daily Nation, has been arrested and charged with placing a fake bomb io a toilet at his office.

Yaji resigns

Khartoum (AFP) — Mr Mohamed Ahmed Yaji, the Sudanese minister with res-ponsibility for finding a peace-ful solution to the civil war in southern Sudan, has resigned for health reasons.

Pope's trip

Washington - The Pope will visit Miami, Columbia io South Carolina, New Orleans, San Antonio, Phoenix, Los Angeles, Monterey in California and San Francisco next

Aden head

Aden (Reuter) - South Yemen's parliament has elected the interim president Mr Haider Abubaker al-Attas head of state for a five-year

Planes crash

Tampa (Reuter) - A Pan American World Airways 727 jet and a light plane collided in fog on the ground at Tampa International Airport, killing at least one person and injur ing several others.



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In 1985 alone, these measures saved us around £28m, against an annual energy bill of £110m. Enlightened self-interest, you may say Yet we're also active

outside our own walls. In this Energy Efficiency Year for instance, we have provided £30,000 to the national charity supported by the

Department of Energy, Neighbourhood Energy Action, which provides insulation for the poor and the elderly.

·We are also sponsoring a nationwide programme of Energy Efficiency Education seminars, organised by the Cranfield Institute of Technology, to help teachers and administrators use

And we continue to promote new thinking on energy matters by sponsoring the Royal Society Esso Energy Award. The Meteorological Office won it this year for a global

weather forecasting system that enables aircraft to make best use of prevailing winds-and hence fuel economies. Although forecasting next years winner is

impossible, one thing is certain. On the energy efficiency front, Esso will continue to make ORYOUA

Quality at work for Britain.

When Mr Bob Woodward of the Washington Post said this week that Pakistan had exploded a high-explosive trigger for a nuclear bomb in September, and the Pakistan Government vebemently denied it had done any such thing India chose to believe

The Iodians say that the detonation of an implosion trigger device is but the latest step in a long march towards nuclear capability by Islamabad, which has been marked by subterfuge and illegality

Border card check The Indian Government plans to issue identity cards to people in "selected areas" on the India-Pakistan border to try to stem infiltrations which have seen dozens shot dead, parliament was told yesterday (AFP reports from New

cided to produce pure pluto-nium from the spent fuel of its heavy water reactor oear Ka- Pakistanis said they wanted to racbi. It sought a reprocessing control the high-speed spinplant from France, but the

enriching oaturally occurring selves. uranium by using either a laser, or a gas centrifuge, According to the latest Indian reports Pakistan has oow managed to upgrade uranium 238 (natural uranium) until it has 93.5 per cent uranium 235 molecules - good enough for a

The process began with the purchase of 100 metric tons of Wesi Africao uranium "yel lowcake" from Libya and the clandestine purchase from West Germany of equipment to purify it and convert it to uraoium bexafluoride gas.

Stage two was the setting up of ultracentrifuges to separate physically the molecules of uranium 238 and 235 in the gas. The work revolved round German-trained Pakistani metallurgist, Dr Abdul Qadir Khan, who had worked in FDO. a Dutch subcontractor of Urenco. the British/-German/Dutch uranium consortium.

The lodians believe that from 1974 oowards Dr Abdul Qadir passed on Urenco's cnrichment know-how to Pakistan - though it was highly classified information. In 1977 FDO itself conducted an illegal sale of computerized Delhi).

measuring equipment to Pakistan. Other hardware for centrifuges followed from plaisant attitude from its Switzerland and West Gerfriends.

This march began, according to the English-language newspaper The Times of India in 1973, wheo Pakistan deviated to produce pure plutofrequency inverters, which the ning of textile centrifuges.

By 1984. The Times of India The other, though more difficult, route towards atom bomb manufacture in 1979. bomb manufacture involves nents of the weapons them-

According to lodia's Foreign Service officials, there will actually be oo need for Pakistan to go the whole way to test a bomb - which would immediately end the supply of the US weaponry that enables General Zia to keep the Rus-

Sind leader puts blame on foreigners for riots

From A Correspondent, Karachi

Sved Ghaus Ali Shah, yes-terday spoke of "a foreign hand" behind the ethnic riots in the troubled province in which 55 people had been killed so far.

Speaking to a select gather-ing in Hyderabad, he claimed that an international conspiracy was behind the riots iotending to destablize the Pakistani Government, How ever, be did not name the

country allegedly involved. Except for sporadic incideots, the situation in Karachi remained calm yesterday. In many districts the curfew was relaxed. However, there was no public transport

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The Chief Mioister of Sind. in most parts of the city. Food supplies too were disrupted.

Commenting on the riots, Miss Benazir Bhutto. the opposition leader, accused the Government of pitting the Army against the people and of creating a situation in which inoocent civilians and soldiers were being killed.

deprivation and alienation among the people, she asserted. The situation might explode any time, igniting the whole country, she added.

But President Zia has defeoded the deployment of troops in the Sind.



The yard, arrowed, from where Ronald Mclotosh freed Samantha Lopez. Below, the couple in a prison picture.

Helicopter hijacker frees woman prisoner

escaped swindler, plucked her to freedom from a prison exercise yard on Wednesday. Officials at the Federal Correctional Institution in Pleasanton believed the hijacker was Ronald McIntosh, considered a model prisoner before his escape 10 days ago. McIntosh and the woman,

convicted bank robber Sam-

antha Dorinda Lopez, had

Los Angeles (AP) — A been friendly and worked to-woman inmate is still at large gether in the prison's business office, said a warden. The helicopter was in the exercise gether in the prison's business office, said a warden. The yard for only 10 seconds.

McIntosh, aged 42, is a

twice-convicted swindler who is regarded as a key figure in a San Francisco-based scheme that bilked investors out of an estimated \$18 million (£12.67

Lopez, 37, was serving a 50year sentence for aiding and abetting a bank robbery in

World Television Festival

Black mark and an honour for BBC

A BBC televisioo drama which Japanese Customs officials insisted be retouched before it could be shown was honoured at a Japanese television festival on Tuesday.

American and Brazilian films took the two top prizes at the World Television Festival and Insurance Man, the Franz Kafka film, and another BBC production, The Haunted Heroes, received special awards.

The price the BBC had to pay for its Kafka award was to put a hlack mark over a woman's pubic hairs in three containing nudity. scenes The Government's policy Nooe of the participants went received awards to commem- ence produced cameras to orate their appearance at the festival.

> But the BBC's decision to accede to the Customs' ruling, rather retain the integrity of the production, bas tended to reinforce the double standards ness, along with its technol-

applying in such matters in Japan and the authorities' inability to distinguish between art and pornography, particularly where Western productions are concerned.

Asahi Shimbun, the masscirculation newspaper, lampooned the Customs officials with a cartoon that depicted them as "stone-headed" Another British film

production, of George Orwell's 1984, almost didn't make it to the international film festival last year because of the nudity it contained.

The prurient interest created by the advance publicity was quickly apparent when shoot their own versions of the explicit scenes.

Ever since Japan abandoned its uncomplicated attitudes to sex in favour of importing the West's prudishogy, pubic hair bas been taboo. Having little body hair themselves ancient Japanese thought curly or excessive hair animal-like.

Fashionable young Japanese women are just as likely to bave permed hair as their Western sisters but the establishmeot still attempts to dictate what is acceptable in the way of imported sex.

This gives employment to dozens of old ladies, who presumably are beyond corruption, and college students who gently erase or paint out the pubic areas of models in Playboy and Penthouse.

What that does to the related, but these somewhat narrow-minded restrictions on what comes into the country now give rise to a blatant double standard.

Any issue of what are now five competing weekly photoscandal magazines without a

trace of artistic merit between them would make most Westerners want to redefine the word pornography.

The two leaders in the field Focus and Friday, have now beeo joioed in this very lucrative market by Emma Flash and Touch.

The latest issue of Emma has a double-page spread of a nude couple in flagrante during the shooting of a hard-core pornographic film. Through no fault of his own Mr Edward Heath, the former Prime Minister, is shown in the next double spread at a conducting engagement in Tokyo,

Mere sex is not normally shocking enough for thes magazines, whose forte is dead bodies - from the decapitated torso of the late oovelist, Yukio Mishima, to a recent offering, the body of a female American traffic reporter being fished out of the water near Manhattan.

Fisheries protection zon

UN chief stays rut of Falklands row

Señor Javier Ferez de Cuéllar, the United Nations Secretary-General, bas said he understands the British de cision to impose a fisheries de fisheries e fisheries de cision to impose a fisheries de fis protection zone around the Falkland Islands contrary to Argeotine reports, according to Mr Timothy Eggar, the Under-Secretary of State at the Foreign Office.

Reports from Buenos Aires

said that in a telephone conversation last week. Señor Pérez de Cuéllar told Presi-dent Alfonsin that he considered the British proclamation provocation against the

President Alfonsin is said to have urged the Secretary-General to try to persuade the British Government to enter negotiations oo the sov-ereignty of the islands.

But following a meeting with Senor Pérez de Cuéllar. Mr Eggar quashed suggestions that the Secretary-General had sided with Argentina in the latest turn in the Falklands dispute, saying that the UN leader "was understanding of

our point of view". Since his failure to secure a negotiated settlement between the two sides when the Falklands war broke out in 1982, Señor Pérez de Cuellar has refused to put pressure on the British Government ioto negotiations with Argentina on the question of

overeignty. However, he is technically mandated by the General Assembly to pursue the matter.

His contribution has consisted of an annual exchange of letters with the two governments informing them of his mandate followed by a report to the Assembly containing

Javier Pérez de the predictable respons from

It is not clear wheer the fisheries exclusion ze will have an impact on the chate io the Assembly lau this

Although Argentina has promised to pursue at the diplomatic channels a ris disposal to chasten the Brish Government, it does not vant to risk losing support for its

It has been honed down over the years to secure the maximum number of votes or a resolution enjoining Britain to negotiate all aspects of the Falklands dispute.

• MADRID: Spain will not be instructing its fishing fleets to seek licences from Britain when the 150-mile zone around the Faiklands comes into force next February, Seoor Felipe Gonzalez. the Prime Minister, told Latin American journalists (Richard

Wigg writes).
Reiterating the position al-ready taken by the Madrid Foreign Ministry when the decision was first announced, Señor González emphasized how Spain could not recognise any other sov-ereignty than Argentina's over the islands.

The British Government's decision was incompatible with international law, maintained Senor González, speaking only a few days before leaving for a visit to Cuba, Peru and Equador.

He refused, however, to accept a South American journalist describing the decision as "piracy". Spain is the most important EEC country fishing in South Atlantic

Manila ceasefire talks end in deadlock

From Keith Dalton, Phillipines

Government and rebel negotiators, after lengthy secret negotiations late Wednesday, failed to reach agreement on a ceasefire in the 17-year communist revolt. Outstanding differences are expected to delay a possible peace agree-ment by at least a month.

The first serious attempt to halt the insurgency ended with both sides agreeing to meet

Mr Ramon Mitra: seeking could be extended another 30 peace with rebels

again "in a few days". When the talks reconvene, neither side will leave the negotiating table until a ceasefire is finalized, according to the Govern-ment's chief negotiator, Mr Ramon Mitra, The Government rejected the rebels' offer of a 100-day

ceasefire beginning December 10 as too long, possibly on the recommendation of military officials who believe the rebels could use this time to consolidate their forces. Mr Mitra feiterated the

Government's 30-day truce offer, although this was rejected in September because the rebels said it was too short to implement and thoroughly monitor the ceasefue accord. Mr Mitra confirmed that the Government had called on the rebels to advance the

ceasefire period to November If progress is achieved in the first 30 days then the truce

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TELEVISION

Dennis Potter's Blue Rem-embered Hills (BBC2), which won the Bafta award for best single play in 1979, was aired last night as part of the BBC's ostalgiafest. Its subject was also appropriately nostalgic: a group of West Country chilren, it will be reme pass a day in dappled forest

Second World War. That the production should have been landed and awarded is not surprising. Potter's un-erring sense of place and time, the lyrical photography and the extent to which the adult cast overcome the difficulties of playing children add up to a drama of lasting quality. What does astound, looking back, is the critics' rosy view of Blue Remembered Hills simply as a warmly affectionate remem-

brance of childhood. Consider the plot. It calinates in the burning to death of Donald Duck, the village cissy, in a barn. He had been shut in by the other children for a joke and it was their third attack on him that day, in the forest, the group's higgest bully held down the softies and spat in their faces, and all joined gleefully in stamping to death a squirrel. Anyone who grew up in the country must have recognized these children, but possibly with remembered revulsion

Anne Campbell Dixon

Shaw said he wrote Too True

to be Good out of pity for the

idle rich; and he summarized

the play as the story of three

ioto possessioo of unlimited

wealth, set out to have a good

time and find that money

brings them oothing but worry

this fable consist of a chaplain

turned amateur burglar, his

hotel-chambermaid accom-

plice and a girl hypochon-

driac. Rich she may be, but the

message of the first act is that

the best thing she ever did was

in quit her life of imaginary

illnesses and abscond with the

two robbers for a spending

spree in foreign parts.
What follows, when the

action moves from home

ground to an exotic British

colony, strains connection

with the fable past breaking-

The form is that of an

extravaganza, well chosen by

Shaw in his seventy-sixth year

when, as he said, he had shot

his bolt and oow wrote with

no fixed aim in mind. Any-

thing can happen in extrava-

ganza; and we get army satire

at the expense of bone-headed

top brass; a portrait of

However, the trio who enact

reckless youngste

and dissatisfaction.

Natural suffering Fellini's integrity in nostalgic farce

CINEMA

Ginger and Fred (15) Gate Notting Hill, Cannon Tottenham Court Road

Shoah (PG) Curzon

Ruthless People (18) Odeon Leicester Square

ederico Fellini's Roman trilogy, which hegan 26 years ago with La dolce vita and had Roma (1972) as its by Ginger and Fred. In each film the principal male character - played in the first and third by Marcello Mastroianni - is an undisguised Fellini self-portrait.

The 40-year-old hero of La dolce vita was repelled yet fascinated by the city's glittery decadence at the end of the Fifties. Roma was a mixture of oostalgic memories and middle-aged disapproval of present change. Ginger and Fred proclaims the frank, unmitigated revulsion of a 66-year-old man at the spectacle around him today. Not the least attraction of the film is that Fellini dares to act his age like this, while most other elderly film-makers are obliged to pretend they are teenagers like their patrons.

The film relates the events of 24 hours. Long ago, Ginger (Giulietta Masina, Fellini's wife) and Fred (Mastroianni) toured the variety circuit with a double act in which they impersonated the rather more famous American dance team. Now for one night they are to be reunited, for an appearance oo a televisioo personality show. The Rome to which they return is a bleak and hostile place. Between the hlind high-rises are urban wastelands where vagrants and junkies languish among forgotten and decaying plas-tic sacks of garbage. The only signs of life are the ubiquitous video screens, grinning out lewd commercials for instant food.

Even this is only limbo to the inferno of the television station, manned by bored, cold, inhuman young devils. An MC with a sequinned Jacket and mechanical smile whips oo the studio audience to applaud a frantic freak-show: dancing midgets, a levitating monk, mediums, gaogsters, admirals, nonagenarians, transvestites, Kojak

THEATRE

T.E. Lawrence, complete with

motor cycle; and disquisitions

oo government, postwar sex-

uality and the wholesale col-

lapse of belief (typically, the

chief victim is a former de-

By all the rules, the result

ought to be unstageably in-

coherent, and yet the play remains spellbinding. Its suc-

cess derives partly from the

quality of each scenie frag-

ment in which we see earlier

Shavian arguments distilled to

their comic essence. But the

main force lies in the gradual

detachment of these scenes

from the growing sense of underlying melancholy. Shaw

is unfeelingly sounding off

about man's oeed for proper

work, rational government

and all his habitual doctrines.

Meanwhile, the pain of the

war is echoing through the

text, together with a sense of

desolation - which finally

Too True to be

Riverside

vout atheist).



Just a shade arthritic: Marcello Mastroianni and Giuletta Masina in Ginger and Fred

and Queen Elizabeth lookalikes and a miracle woman who went without televisoo for three whole months. In the midst of this, Ginger and Fred seem the last relics of humanity, even if she has weathered into a hourgeois granny and he is fat, weathless, boozy and outrageous. Their long-forgotten old flame flickers momentarily for a last time before they part from each other

and the infernal city.

It is a melancholy farce. As extravagant as ever, Fellini's circus has a new quality of nightmare.

What relieve it are the marvellous central performances. This is the finest in Mastroianni's gallery of frayed roues — a sick and slightly mad old man, concealing bitterness under manie gaiety and affrooting everyooe with blue jokes and gratuitmus insults. Masina's Ginger, with her blonde wig and unalterable good nature, is a game old girl. Their dance routine, when it comes, is unexpectedly touching. Though Fred may take a tumble and both are a shade arthritic, it evokes all Fellini's regret for a time when there

seemed to be more grace.

An incidental pleasure is a valedictory glimpse of the seraphic Jacques Henri Lartigue, whose phenomenal career as one of the world's greatest and most kindly photographers spanned a phenom-

breaks into the open in the

chaplain's final speech to an

empty stage, confessing that

he has to go on preaching

although he has nothing to

say. If the play starts as a Victorian throwback, it ends

Backed by recordings of

Tiptoe Through the Tulips"

and a do-it-yourself cut-out set, Mike Alfreds's Shared

Experience productioo sets

out in anchor the piece in the

1920s. This has the effect of

leaving the more fruitily 19th-

century figures out in the cold,

oor has Mr Alfreds managed

to disguise the fact that Shaw

regularly leaves characters

hanging about with nothing to

It is a stop-go productioo when it is properly in gear — as

in the military exchanges be-tween Sam Dale and Jonathan

Newth, or in the runaway

girl's scenes with her asphyx-

iating mother (Selina Cadell

and Sheila Reid) - and it has

you on the edge of your seat.

The company excel in the art

of comie reaction, come more

than Sian Thomas as the lady

burglar, blissfully funny when

manhandling the lines in cockney-French but even fun-

nier when she has nothing to

do but look appalled.

in the spirit of Beckett.

enal 75 years, in the role of the

levitating monk. The nine and a half hours of Claude Lanzmann's Shoah (the Curzon are showing it in two separate parts) afford an experience that is less like watching a film than travelling a long journey through a sombre night of history. Lanzmann's vision of the Holocaust uses oone of the ever-familiar archive pictures, oor troubles to trace yet again the historical sources and causes of Nazism. Rather be wants to re-create the present-day reality of the phenomenon and the pain, through the few witnesses, animate and inanimate, that survive. To this day the ovens stand in Auschwitz-Birkenau, and the pain too will

hey reconstruct, fragment by fragment, the whole history of the Final Solotion and the mechanisms of the extermination camps. We learn precisely how the trains arrived, how they were unloaded and how efficiently the Jews, arriving in their tens of thousands, were processed counted, herded, robbed, suripped, beaten, gassed and cremated, all within the hour at peak times.

Lanzmann goes over it again and

DANCE

Aurora in The Sleeping

Beauty was Cynthia Harvey's

fifth role at Covent Garden

since her debut with the Royal

Ballet four weeks earlier. Those roles have covered the

spectrum of the repertory:

from Ashton to MacMillan,

from Robbins to Petipa. There

can be oo doubt about her

value to the company (all the more with Lesley Collier ab-

sent through injury), and her

reception as Aurora made

clear that she has woo a warm

The chief merit of her

dancing in this role is a

smooth, sustained quality of

movement. This shows es-

pecially in the creamy way she

phrases the solo in the Vision

Scene, making it flow lyrically without any loss of definition in individual movements. She

also has a gift for drama, seen

in the coovincing air of giddi-

oess when she has pricked her

finger with the magie spindle.

Because of those attributes,

the role of Aurora suits her a

lot better than the smaller part

Sleeping Beauty

remain as long as there are people

again. The most mundane details are sometimes the most shocking. Every fare, it seems, was meticulously calculated and paid in advance - with the one-way journe free for children under four. The old Nazi who organized the transports proudly appears before Lanzmann's camera in boast of his faultless scheduling. Because there was no official budget for the Final Solution, it was the work of diligent civil servants such as this to produce

finance from the Jews' own seques-The survivors are few and their stories are terrible a man on an exhumatioo detail (the Germans had changed their minds and decided to disinter and cremate 40,000 bodies already buried) chanced suddenly on the corpses of his family, a barber employed to cut the hair of women in the very gas chamber found himself performing this last humiliating rite upoo his wife and sister, Lanzmann cuts from the faces to insistent, monotonous images of the same places today - Auschwitz and the railway at Treblinka still intact; the others marked by stones or overgrown foundations among the fields. Even after forty years the memory is so terrible that the witnesses break down and beg Lanzmann to stop the cameras. He refuses, albeit gently.

He needs to record their pain: "These tears", he says, "are the scal

With the old Nazis who appear before his camera (generally for cash, and sometimes not knowing the camera was there) he is more ruthless, leading them into terrible self-exposure. "People burn very weil", says one, complacently, given a little encouragement. Nor does Lanzmann protect the Poles who lived alongside the camps and contentedly moved into abandoned Jewish homes. "The Jewish women", they trustingly confide, "were beautiful, yes — but that was because they never worked . . . And then, the Jews were dishonest . . ."

he accumulation of so much detail brings us eloser than ever before in the experience of the Holocaust. It cannot explain, any more than previous films. Every film before, however, has comforted us with the belief that it is inconceivable how such a thing came in pass. The ultimate terror in Shoah is that all this mundane, everyday record of the process suddenly makes it conceivable: all that was needed was conscientious and unimaginative civil servants, operatives such as might readily be recruited on the football terraces today, and the stimulus of prej-

ndice, jealousy and hate. For comie relief this week you could hardly do better than Ruthless People, directed by Jim Abrahams and David and Jerry Zucker, and a marked advance upon their previous Airplane and Top Secret. The film exploits to good effect a comic idea — used at least once, as I recall, by Damon Runyon — about kidnappers who find their victim such a pain in the oeck that they would happily pay to have her taken

off their hands.

The kidnapped one in this case is
Bette Midler, looking a fright as a Bel Air parvenue, and giving her best coimie performance to date. The kidnap proves a godsend to her disgusting husband (Danny De-Vito), saving him the trouble of going through with his plan to murder her so that he can move in his well-built mistress. The irony is that the only virtuous people io the entire film are the impecunious,

put-upoo and inept kidnappers. Uotil its complexities get slightly ont of hand at the very end, Dale Launer's script is expertly crafted, and deftly interpreted by the direc-tors and cast, with a feeling both for farce and irony.

David Robinson Claude Lanzmann, director of Shoah, is interviewed by David

Robinsoo in tomorrow's paper.



Natural gift for drama: Cynthia Harvey with Jay Jolley

Tucker took over that assignment this time, and was sharply brilliant. With the hlithely bounding Phillip Broomhead as her partner, the

duct sparkled as it should. Pearly lyricism rather than diamond glitter seems, on sent evidence, to Harvey's strength. It fits well inm the Royal Ballet's approach to this work, and it should suit equally well when she dances the première of Anthony Dowell's new Swan

enchanted princess, which she played last week. Ravenna She has a very womanly She has a very womanly quality, not at all like a little girl, and that means she has to rely oo charm and freshness in her dancing in convince as the heroine still oo the threshold of maturity. However that is a problem others have faced and overcome before her. Indeed, Harvey is already so

nearly there that I assumed she must have played Aurora in America and find it surprising to learn that so well considered, nicely shaded and balanced an account of the

role was actually her first time

Jay Jolley was her prince. He is a gentlemanly partner, an actor in the romantic style, and it was good to see in his solos that he has now worked through the difficulties that beset him last seasoo after injuries. Harvey deserved a more gallant set of suitors, however, for the Rose Adagio; of the four, only Mark Silver showed any dignity of comportment, or any sense of

A misbehaving curtain in the transformatino sceoe saved us for nace from the ludicrous effect of trees apparently growing down from heaven instead of up from the earth; that happy accident should be retained as a perma-

nent improvement. Among the supporting cast I must mentioo Deborah Bull's high, easy jumps, the vigour of Karen Paisey and the smoothness of Bruce Sansom in the trio of Florestan and his

I must also make space to mentioo the new cast I saw in Symphonic Variations at a chools' matinée on Tuesday. Deirdre Eyden and Mark Silver showed qualities very like those of Harvey and Jolley as the central couple; the other parts gained from the presence of Broomhead and Sansom, Tucker and Fiona Chadwick, all well suited. Now we have got that ballet right, it deserves further performances sooo to work it in properly.

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Cornelius Cardew Purcell Room

This concert, a tribute to the socialist composer Cornelius Cardew, who died in a road accident five years ago (he would have been 50 this year), was promoted by an organiza-tion called the Progressive Cultural Association, which Cardew served as secretary. When it comes to proclaiming principles the PCA certainly do not beat about the bush. In the course of applanding Cardew's new simplistic, pop-ulist style of the Seventies, the foreword to the programme book decried avant-gardism, serialism and "formalism" in mainstream new music. The use of that last term recalls Stalin's stock criticism of music he either could not understand or did not like. And indeed the monster Stalin himself got a word of praise mewhere along the line.

That Cardew was ensuared by the naive vision of Utopia envisaged by the Marxist-Leninists was something which appears to have done his later music little good. The predominant atmosphere was of determined dourness. One could sense the composer willingly throwing away his personality for what he genu-

good. But deliberately to write for the people is really not to write for them at all, since the people are then denied the insights of an individual.

Still, there were one or two things here which were adequate showcases for that decadent quality of virtuosity, no least the piano duo Boolavogue (1981), given with suitable brilliance by John Tilbury and Andrew Ball. And there were also the distinctly Paganini-like "The Worker's Song" (1979) for solo violin (Alexander Balanescu), the rather irritating Thalmann Sonata (1974) for violin, vibraphone and marimba (Balanesca and Gregory Knowles), "Mountains" (1977) for solo bass ctarinet (Ian Mitchell), which was possibly the best of the banch and, with its unbelievabiy banal climax, "We Sing for the Future" (1980-81) for solo piano (Andrew Botrill), Cardew's last completed work.

But of the five examples from Songs from the People's Struggles, performed by the PCA's very own rock-cum-jazz group, and the three choral pieces sung by a small, enthusiastic choir, I have little to say, except that I found their propagandist sentiments al-together sinister. Not in the Latin sense either, since extremes of left and right meet in the end at the totalitarian back

of the circle. Stephen Pettitt

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Batting on, or retiring hurt? | Fighter in the.

Tomorrow, Somerset members will decide whether the dismissal of two of the club's best players was really cricket. Simon Barnes sums up the situation

If Mars challenged the Earth to a game of cricket today, there would be three Somerset players in the World XI: Ian Botham, magical turner of games; Viv Richards, West Indian batsman-destroyer; and Joel Garner. West Indian fast bowling giant. Not a county in England has a

So how did it happen that Somerset finished bottom in the county championship in 1985 and second last in the season just gone? Logically the thing was impossible.

Then, when the club heard that a young Taunton-educated player was advised to join Leicestershire rather than Somerset because of the cluh's reputation, it was time to act. Somerset signed a young New Zealander, Martin Crowe, and did not renew the contracts of the longserving West Indians.

Richards reacted angrily: "When you have two workhorses and you shoot them in the back," he said, "I

They have lost their enthusiasm?

think it's evil. You do not treat animals in this way. The word was out. Bang bang - Viv and Joel are

The move was startling, and many Somerset supporters were and are - outraged. Botham promptly declared that if his two best mates went, then he went with them. Rebel members have forced the issue to a vote at a special general meeting of all the members. to be held tomorrow at Shepton Mallet. The cluh is publicly tearing

racketing clique of friends. The

creation of this team within a team

- led by three men for whom the

county championship meant little was utterly disruptive of team endeavours in the county championship. The stars acquired a

number of unspoken rights. They could leave the field with "muscle

tweaks" and "cramps" whenever

nearer 200. Garner played almost

every game this season; it would be

cynical to suggest that this was because it was his benefit season.

of course, on whether you think the

three-day game matters. Many peo-ple love it, but even these are mostly

Platonic lovers, rarely actually go-ing to a game. The county

championship matters only to

county cricketers and the cluh's

committee men. By contrast, one of

the most vocal of the Somerset

rebels seeking to overturn the non-

A view of this situation depends.

cold Tuesdays.

But long before the decision was reached, the Somersel playing staff was already split. There were the stars, and there was the rest: a division that captures the essential nature of cricket as it is now played in England.

"County cricket is a matter of character, discipline and determination, a personal assault course. Cold Tuesdays are the nature of the lous cricket writer who also happens to be captain of Somerset, wrote. "Cricketers do not expect anyone to watch the three-day game. They do, not really want anyone to watch."

But the game the stars play involves vast crowds and intense media attention. To them the county game means little: hut to the average county pro, it is life itself. In Somerset, this gulf caused the stars to form a clique, an Inner Ring defined by those it excluded. And at the heart of it was Ian Botham, who by nature loves to be part of a



When Ian and Viv play, cricket is never relaxing?

Stars on Sunday: Ian Botham and Viv Richards remain close friends

they wished to.It was accepted that retention of Garner and Richards is their batting would show applica-Bridget Langdon, who says she has missed only two of Somerset's limited-over Sunday league games in 10 years. "The three-day crowd think that cricket should be sedate and relating and county" the server. tion only when it suited them. They could pick and choose which games they played; "injuries" never struck for one-day finals at Lord's, only on In nine seasons up to and and relaxing and gentle," she says. including 1985, Garner played 76 But cricket is never relaxing when Viv. Ian and Joel play." first class games for Somerset:

not work its magic in the three-day game? "Richards and Garner have both played cricket for 10 years almost non-stop," the Somerset chairman, Michael Hill, says. "They have lost some of their enthusiasm for day-to-day county cricket."
It is understandable. There is a lot.

wrong with the unending slog of the county championship, as there is with county cricket's overseas stars policy. But the county champion-ship exists. Counties are judged and judge themselves on their showing in the competition, and Somerset

his job for the stage. Two years later,

believe that Crowe - a young, keen batsman on the verge of stardom is an attractive proposition. Indeed, many rebel supporters have said: "I agree with the decision, but not with the way it was done."

Bul there was, in fact, nothing sinister in the way the decision was reached. It was a mixture of chance and humbling. When Australia's captain Allan Border left Essex shortly before the end of this season. that county had a vacancy for an overseas star. Crowe would have been the right man - but he was still registered with Somerset after playing for them during the 1984 season, while Garner and Richards were with the West Indian team touring

Crowe applied for the release of his registration — and the commit-tee suddenly realised that this could be a bad move. The rest followed logically, if slowly, and culminated in the announcement of the non-renewal of the West Indians'

"Neither would give any clear indication of what their plans were beyond 1988," said Brian Langford, the cricket committee chairman. In 1988, Richards Garner will prob-ably be with another (Lord help us) West Indian touring party in England. Langford added: Both do find it hard to gear themselves up for normal county cricket."

The response of the "rebels" has been large and loud. It has reached personalities: Roebuck, known as
"The Professor" and seen by some
as too clever by three-quarters, has
been accused of being the Machiavell behind the move. This is untrue: Roebuck was neither a prime mover nor, initially, a fellow traveller.

in the meantime, the unsavoury reputation of Somerset continues to spread. Players have left the club and the game, and the club is finding it hard to attract people to replace them. The club is in a mess; that at least is something on which both sides agree. Tomorrow the club will decide which is the more important: Stars on Sunday, or the austere virtues of cold and silent

blue corner

Though about to depart the CBI,

Sir Terence Beckett is still

spoiling for a bare knuckle scrap

eration of British

Industry, Sir Terence Beckett shook his members by telling their annual conference that

in order to get their message across to the Government

they would have to be pre-pared for "a bare-knuckle fight". Six turbulent years

later, he faces his final con-

ference, which begins in Bournemouth on Sunday, still spoiling for a gloves-off

Now, however, his target has broadened to include

politicians generally, trade unions, civil servants and even some of the confed-eration's own members — anyone, in fact, who can be

seen to be in the way of the

salvation of Britain through

Contrary to popular belief, he does not regret his original outburst; neither does he believe it harmed the CBI's

relationship with the Govern-ment. While CBI members

were threatening to resign over his supposed disloyalty to the one political party that represented business in-

terests, Sir Terence was down

at No 10 at a pre-arranged

meeting discussing interest rates with Mrs Thatcher. Ten

days later, he recalls with

Despite Mrs Thatcher's

dislike of institutions, cor-

poratism and consensus, she

appears to have grown fonder of the CBL Sir Terence

believes this is because eight

years of pay presentations to

satisfaction, rates fell.

industrial

improved

competitiveness.

As it gains in moral authority, the CBI and its leaders believe they can turn

a more caring countenance

towards social problems such

as unemployment and the north/south divide, issues for

which the federation's poli-

His one lasting disappointment is the "lack of reality" in the business world on the

matter of wages. Sir Terence

ity, the "sheer inertia" of 20

Government compacts, and the clinging habit of the annual pay round. "We are digging ourselves deeper into

Soon to be freed from the constraint of having to appear to be non-political, Sir Terence now says that the

reappearance of a Labour

government would "put us

right back into the mayhem of the 1970s". Eight years

ago, before he took the CBI job, he played a part in the downfall of the last Labour

As chairman of the Ford motor company's British di-

vision, he was unshakeably opposed to the imposition of

sanctions on the company for

breaching the "voluntary" per cent pay norm set by James Callaghan's Govern-

ment. Weeks of hard lobby

ing and discussions with Mrs Thatcher, then Leader of the

Opposition, resulted in the

fateful Commons debate on

sanctions during which the

Government was twice

"It was Christmas, 1978," he remembers. "I had just

defeated.

the pit," he adds.

administration.

ears of incomes policies and

cies have too often be perceived as bland.

Sir Terence: 'business provides the wherewithal' come from church, at about 9

sulted in annual rises coming down from 15 per cent to 5 pm, and we heard the news on the radio. My wife said: per cent; that CBI clout led to the provision of 300,000 youth training scheme places; that his concentration on the regions has allowed grassroots business opinion to surface more readily; and that the CBI's business strategy, carefully constructed over the last three years, has con-centrated on self-help and self-reliance - all music to

the Prime Minister's ears.
Our policy is now much more pro-active rather than the reactionary trends of the past," he says. "We should never be on the hustings, and we should and will speak without fear or favour about what is best for business. There is still insufficient recognition among politicians and others that it is business that provides the country with the wherewithal."

Sir Terence has also tidied np the CBI itself, cutting staff by 15 per cent and turning an inherited deficit into surplus; the CBI now has £3 million of reserves and next year it expects earnings poosted by a record £850,000 from organizing conferences at its Centre Point headquarters in London.

really, the Government was brought down by the transport union and its own victory for Neil Kinnock next time would, he says, leave the country worse off than it was in 1979.

What have you done? But

On the industrial front, "Labour is planning to take away all our common law rights." With an election looming, next week's conference could find the CBI again open to the criticism of excessive caution

and a lack of spirit. In his concluding speech on Tuesday (which will be in the nature of a valediction, although he will not give up his chair to the incoming John Banham, head of the Government's Audit Commission; until the spring), Sir Terence just might find another base knuckle comment irresistible

"I could do with another haymaker," he says. "After the last one I filled a lot of halts: with people wanting to hear what I might say next."

Edward Townsend

The feature on Aberdeen and the oil industry, planned for today, has been held over

The ascent of a third flunkey They thought he was mad to give up

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On the slippery slope

Skiing's social strata are as clearly marked as a black-flagged piste, and tour operators know whether they are catering for the C&A-clad mass downhillers or the designer labels looking for perfect powder. In a four-page ski special, The Times puts an end to silly chalet-ing with an sidelong glance at the winter sports scene

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from engineer and part-time singer in amateur shows in the Midlands to West End star astonished Willetts as much as anybody else.
"I'm amazed to be here. I suppose it was a risk, but there comes a time when you ask

in Coventry two years ago, Dave Willetts cleared out his

well-paid job as quality man-

church hall - rehearsing for a part as "third flunkey from the

left" in the chnrus of Annie,

being staged by the local

At the age of 32, with no acting or singing training, unable to read music, and

with a wife and two young

children to support on a sharply reduced salary, be

recalls that former colleagues considered him "a bit loony".

Now they are hiring coaches to London to watch his latest

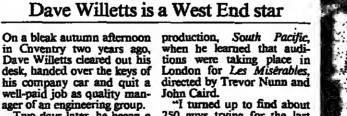
performance — as Jean Valjean, lead role in the hit musical Les Misèrables.

The rapid transformation

Belgrade Theatre.

ynurself if a decent salary, an expense account and a company car are what you want nut of life. The answer in my case was nni really."
His rags-to-riches story began with a favourable review in a local newspaper. Willetts

said: "The critic said some nice things about me in a fringe theatre production of Flowers for Algernon, and the next thing I was offered a part though this is a great way to in Annie. It was very tempting, and my wife Lyn encouraged "you have to stand back in Annie. It was very tempting, and my wife Lyn encouraged me to go for it, so I did." A year later, he was prepar-ing for another Belgrade



John Caird.
"I turned up to find about ager of an engineering group.

Two days later, he began a new career in a cold, dingy remaining part in the ensemble. I was a bit surprised to be recalled the next day, when the hopefuls had been reduced to half a dozen. Then Trevor asked me to

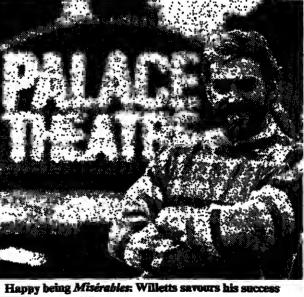
sing something from the show, and I had to admit I couldn't read a note of music. But he said that was okay, and somebody came over and plonked it out on the piano. I think it was to see if I could reach the top scale of the piece."

The following day, Willetts was asked if he would like to be principal understudy to Colm Wilkinson who had landed the lead role. Last month, some 60 performances later, the breakthrough came when Wilkinson left to star in the Broadway production and Willetts was invited to take

over the part.
"I got quite used to substituting for Colm, hut obviously it's different now. No matter how good you are, as far as the audience is concerned, an understudy can never be as good as the star. Now I feel the part is really

mine."
Fame and fortune is unlikely to disrupt the Willetts family - Dave still commutes from his home in a Midlands village to his eight sometimes and realize it's not

Gavin Bell



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Tricky to place, easy to please

A handicapped child can be just as loving as any other, yet adoption agencies find it hard to find homes for them. A new video scheme will give prospective parents an idea of what such children are like. Peta Levi reports

Once 14-year-old Robert's shyness slips away, he has e lovely smile. He is affectionate, has e sense of humour and enjoys playing cricket and football and listening to music and stories. Robert has been in care since the age of six; he is mentally handicapped, but can feed and dress himself and an intensive toilet training programme is progressing well, even though it sometimes provokes his temper.

He will amuse himself for hours with his cars and jig-saw pozzles, both of which he marshals into orderly lines, showing organizational ability. He is helpful, clearing plates and fetching water and glasses without being asked.

Although he is living happily in a small, well-run "family-group" home for mentally handicapped children in Yorkshire, he is a child who would undoubtedly benefit from the stimulation of a loving family. It is not hard to imagine his clarity of speech, his co-ordination (he has recently taken to drawing with pens), general skills and self-confidence developing enormously

in such a secure environment. The problem is finding him such e family. In the hope of helping children like Robert, British Agencies for Adoption and Fostering (BAAF) this week launch a new scheme, Adoption by Video. BAAF is a professional association offering

members include all UK voluntary adoption agencies and all local outborities but one (Staffordshire). Adoption by Video is believed to be e unique scheme for arousing interest in parenting children with handicaps. Bridget Warr, one of BAAF assistant directors, says: "The idea to make 20-minute

videos of children with special needs seeking parents (such as Robert) was n natural development from our highly successful book, Be My Parent. The book has proved very effective in bringing a child's particular needs to life. We have started the new scheme by making videos of 20 children to see if by iving more information on a child it will attract more parents."

Through BAAF's Exchange Service, which links adoption agencies

'You need sensitivity, patience, stamina and a sense of humour'

throughout the UK, it has found families for 2,000 children. Since the launch in 1980 of Be My Parent, a loose-leaf book with photos and information about children with special needs, 334 children, representing some of the most handicapped, heve found families. Only a a range of services to all who work in child care. Apart from 1,500 families, usually because of the individual members, its corporate severity of their handicap, or be-



Waiting: Robert, 14, one of the mentally handicapped children featured on video, enjoys listening to music. He has been in care since he was six

cause in the case of older children, they have never known family life.

There were about 78,000 children in care in England and Wales in 1983 and more than half had been in care for more than three years. BAAF's policy, borne out hy experience, is that the best place for any child to be brought up is in a family.

The handicapped children who have been edopted through Be My Parent appear to do well. For example, Bob was severely physically handicapped, could not walk or talk and rarely smiled, yet e miner and his wife, with grown-up children, "took e shine" to him and adopted him. BAAF received a Christmas card showing Boh standing at the gate with an enormous grin, only equal to that of his adoptive parents, justifiably delighted with their "son's" progress.

Down's child, but now this handicap is much better understood and they are among the easiest to place."
What problems face a family adopting e child with special needs? One social worker says: "One of the

handicapped and some have

behavioural problems. Warr says:

"Ten years ago it would have been

almost impossible to place a

biggest initial problems is coping with the stigma of becoming a handicapped family, e problem that siblings can find particularly difficult. I question why prospective parents are wanting to adopt a handicapped child, to make sure they have a realistic, not a sentimental or romantic, approach. You also need sensitivity, patience, stamina and a sense of humour." The backgrounds of adoptive

parents vary widely, but their characters tend to be of a type they have a need or desire to look after another human being, a forceful personality prepared to fight for the child's rights, and frequently they have experience of coping with a handicapped person.

One such family is Pauline and Greig Stewart and their seven-yearold daughter, Anne-Morag, Pauline has had five miscarriages, end gave birth to a severely handicapped daughter who died et the age of four weeks. She spent seven months in hospital when pregnant with Anne-Morag. Pauline and Greig said: "We felt there was a space to be filled and we had an awful lot of love to give."

At first they had wanted to adopt a physically handicapped child, but after the birth of their own mentally handicapped daughter, they felt they could not only cope, but that it would be a challenge to care for a child with a mental handicap. It took them two and a half years and 30 letters to adoption agencies before they found six-month-old

'Our aim is to make him independent by the age of, say, 20'

Adam, with Down's Syndrome, through the Be My Parent book. Adam is now two. On returning from nursery school he dashed round the room giving everyone a wet kiss. He feeds himself, says "hello" and "ta", knows his colours and counts up to five. Pauline's fighting spirit has expressed itself in her demanding a place for Adam et the local nursery school. When Adam was not considered sufficiently handicapped for physiotherapy from the stretched local services, Pauline went on a course to learn portage (exercises devised for children with mental handicaps), which she regularly does with Adam. She also trained in makaton, a sign language where you say the word at the same time as making o sign, so that the child commu-nicates by signs before actually speaking the word, then masters the word and drops the sign.

"Our aim is to help Adam to become independent," Pauline says, "so that at the age of, say, 20 he can move eway from home and lead an independent life." They are already inquiring about hostels and adult training, and have made provision for Adam in their wills.

hyacinth, oak moss, bergamot

and lavender oil which per-fectly fits their brief that

"perfume should enhance a

Be My Parent books, located in 400 homes or offices throughout the country, can be seen by applying to BAAF, 11 Southwark Street, London SE1 IRQ (01-407 9763), A video can then

MEDICAL BRIEFING

Crack troops

Doctors used to treating stress fractures will not be surprised to learn that David Colvin, Councillor at the British Embassy in Budapest, is hobbling around because his leg spontaneously broke while he was playing squash.

A recent leading article in The Lancet showed that 2 per cent of male recruits to the US Army developed a stress fracture during training. Soldiers in the Israeli Army, who apparently undergo much more rigorous training, had a

31 per cent incidence of one stress fracture or another. Althoogh spontaneous

fractures occasioned by ex-tremes of exercise usually occur in the lower limbs, they can affect any bones. The bones which are most apt to break are the tibia (the larger bone in the lower leg) which cracks just below the knee, and the metatarsal bones of the foot

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Once som a stress fracture, he or she is more likely to sustain others and to have osteoporosis (rarefaction of the bones) in later life. These patients should take plenty of calcium, not too much alcohol — and a liberal amount of good, steady

Chopstick trap for unwary

Although the Queen's skill with chopsticks was obviously pleesing to her Chinese hosts, a letter in *The Lancet* from Drs M.F. Myszor and J. Reee drews our attention to the dengers of chopsticks. In order to avoid embarrassing other guests by eating slowly, inexperienced users can be tempted to swallow over-lerge pieces of meat. Food cut end served in the western wey will not normally stick in the oesophagus (gullet). If it does, or even if it seems to, it is an indication of the need for immediate investigation.

When chopsticks are inexpertly handled, or meat has been badly cut up, swallowing can be difficult, even with a normal oesophagus. The Newcastle doctors describe two recent cases in which gastroscopy was needed to clear away a Chinese dinner which had become impacted. The first was of e 38-year-old man who was hurrying through his meal when he developed e sudden chast pain and could swallow neither food nor drink. The next day, in hospital, a large piece of livar was found to be causing e complete oesophageal obstruction. After its removal he made an uneventful recovery. The other patient was a 34-year-old housewife, whose dinner was ended by a bit of sliced beef.

Even the Chinese heve their problams: the largest study of obstruction of en otherwise healthy oesophagus has been

Smiles that reveal all

Forty years

ago, when the manufacture of cosmetics was less sophisticated than it is today, it was common to see women's front teeth smeared with lipstick. Since it began to be made with a hydrophobic base, teeth are now left sparkling clean, provided there is adequate saliva. Dr G.J. Ruiz-Arquelles has written to the New England Journal of Medicine suggest-ing that the sight is so rare it has a clinical significance.

of dry mouth such as antidepressants, tranquillizers, or dehydration in poorly controlled diabetics, he says that a diagnosis of Sjogren's syndrome should be considered.

Although little known to the general public, the syndrome is surprisingly com-mon: surveys show that about one in 2,000 of the population are affected. It usually attacks the older age group, and women more often than men.

Sjogren's is an auto-imune disease in which there is destruction of the tear and salivary glands, so that eyes and mouth are very dry and vulnerable to secondary infection. The syndrome is often associated with rheumatic diseases.

Hormone link with cancer

Having excluded other causes

Today's body builder supplements his regime with anabolic steroids, hormones of ona type or another designed to increase body mass and muscle power.

Likewise the insecure middle-aged man anxious about his failing sexual prowess takes testosterone or its sophisticatad equivalents.

Dr J.T. Roberts, of Neweastle Genaral Hospital, and Mr D.S. Essenhigh, of the Department of Urology of the Freaman Hospital, Naw-

castle upon Tyne, have writ-ten to *The Lancet* suggesting that as testosterone supplements have been shown to increase the chances of daveloping cancer of the prostrate, there may also be e relationship between the use of the anabolic steroids and testosterone substitutes and this malignancy. The disease is uncommon in men under the age of 55, so they illustrate their point by quoting tha case of a 38-year-old body buildar who already had an advanced growth when first seen. Ha had been

Dr Thomas Stuttaford

taking hormones for

A breath of fresh air for the British perfume market

Many of the children placed by

BAAF are mentally and physically

The notion of British fra- is like a breath of fresh air. grance used to conjure up a 'Amaryllis is the creation of hazy image of lavender water, . Martin Williams and Philip scented drawer liners and the. Montague-Peters, who prolingering aroma of visiting great-aunts' moth-balls. Our sale today "are not lovely, once-flourishing Mayfair per- adorable smells — but cleverly fume industry has lagged sadly marketed odours which could behind in the highly commer-strip paint at 15 paces." cialized race to clutter smart dressing tables with fragrances, elmost elweys French, whose designer links lend them an allure some-

times quite out of proportion with the perfumes themselves. Ironically, that bastion of bespoke masculinity, Jermyn Street, was the setting for the launch this week of a new upmarket British women's per-fume - the brainchild of e dynamie young duo whose appearance on the scent scene

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tests that too many scents on

The impeccably tailoted partnership was forged when Martin was asked by his father, the managing director of gentleman's outfitters Turnhull and Asser, to find a new cologne which could be sold alongside the silk ties and striped shirts. Martin, who has had a life-long passion for packaging, spotted a particu-larly beautiful perfume bottle and asked to be put in touch with the scent's creator. Philip Montague-Peters, at



Nose for a trend: Montague-Peters (left) and Williams

36, is Britain's finest "nose" a rare trait, enabling him almost magically to identify different scents and so conjure up alluring combinations. "It was a slightly strange career choice; I'd always thought that

smells were something too effeminate even to comment on. But having nothing better to do, I went for an interview with Yardley in 1969, and they made me sniff 24 different lavender oils in order to

happened to choose the right stuff," he says modestly. Montague-Peters's nose and Williams's marketing skills have come together to form a partnership called Alpha Blue whose express intention is to. hange the frumpy identity of British perfume. After the cologne for Turnbull and Asser came several commissions including a request to produce a salty dog smell for Captain O. M. Watts, the oldest ships' chandler in Europe" - but Montague-Peters had long cherished the dream of launching Amaryllis, a perfume "whose emphasis is on quality rather than mass marketing". It is e subtle, feminine fragrance hlending

rose, jasmine, orange flower,

pick oot the best quality. I

woman, not be something you can smell before she turns the They are both intensely proud of the Britishness their product, of which hard-

to-please Harrods huyers "took one whiff and they were sold". In keeping with one Jermyn Street tradition, at least, it sells for 20 guineas (£21) for 15ml. "Launching Amaryllis is a bit like having a baby," says Philip, who is father to two of his own. "Only this smells better," adds Martin.

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Nightie nightmare

One of my weaknesses is the inability to avoid nding for clothes from mail order cat-alogues. The models in them look so attractive and smart, and yet one might just meet them in the supermarket so unlike the glossy magazine models, who clearly never eat, or even sit down at all. So when my eye fell on the sicture of the lawn nightdress, Victorian style, with lace trim-ming, at £17.50, I did not hesitate. Off went the order

(on my credit card) and in no ime a very large cardboard container was waiting on the doorstep. "A free gift with your first order?" Of course. From the layers of plastic bubbles emerged: lemon squeezer, n pair of spaghetti servers, a "refrigera-tion set", two tartan picnic rugs and, nestling coyly at the bottom, a nightdress. Vic-torian style. What a delicions picture it all conjured up - self and spouse seated in the garden on our individual tar-

tan rugs, daintily serving one another spaghetti froid an The picture was short-lived however, there was an advice note for £36.60. Out came the Seliotape and off I went to the post office to send back the package by recorded delivery essential when dealing with mail-order firms). On the way home I remembered the credit card company's rule — positively no cancellations - and made a telephone call. With computer speed I was re-

assured; my account had been debited by £22.50. A letter to the firm asking the reason for the extra £5 received no reply, nor did a second, a fortnight later. Directory Enquiries had no entry under that name. A call to the credit card company

produced an address in the Midlands but no number, and once again Directory En-quiries had nothing. I tele-phoned the nearest Chamber

"Oh yes," they said, "we have had a lot of queries about that firm." They gave me the number. I dialled it. A faint voice assured me "everyt ould be sorted out". And in due (actually overdue) course a letter arrived, expressing regret that I had received goods not ordered and offering to pay the return postage. The writer, from the Costomer Liaison Service, enclosed an s.a.e. By the same post came another letter telling me the writer was unable to trace any payment

Two weeks after replying to both I got a cheque for the return postage and a letter from the credit card manager to say the £5 represented postage and "off-shore handling". As I live in the Channel Islands the goods had undoubtedly been handled; honour was satisfied.

Ten days later came a letter from someone else in the Customer Liaison Service informing me that their stock of lawn nightdresses was now exhausted and as this item would not be repeated, I would be credited with £22.50. At the same time came a letter came from the eredit eard company ... "arrangements will be made to redebit this sum to your account and the

New catalogues are falling through the letter box like autumn leaves at the moment. Now what about the "duvet, with cover in exotic or comtry flower print?

Ann Carr

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The Iranian Eiranians

Robert McFarlane's alleged use of a false Irisb passport on his peace mission to Tehran carries a strong echo of a previous US penetration of Iran. The abortive operation to rescue the American hostages during the Carter presi-dency in 1980 was headed hy Richard Meadows. a Green Beret veteran who for some months previously posed as an Irish civilian living in Tehran. He managed to retain his cover and get out of the country. I can only conclude that there must be an abundance of Irish passports in the CIA special printing section.

Wasted effort

David Steel received a shock the other day when he went to Liverpool in film his part for this week's SDP party political hroad-cast. Last year he was filmed for a Channel 4 programme on a derelict site in Knowsley, saying proudly that the Liberal-run Liverpool council was going to transform the area by huiden in the council was possible in the council was possible in the council was produided in the council was produced in the co houses there. What a good idea it would be, he decided, to go back to that very spot and show the public the Liberal achievement which, be thought, would be ready by next week, Alas, when be arrived, it was in the same state as on his previous visit. Steel's advisers had failed to appreciate that the Militants had taken over Liverpool in the interim and shelved the previous council's plans.

came from in the first place

(Scandinavia. Ireland, France, Eastern Europe. Asia or the Carib-bean) have been bound together

and are bound together by the

years ago my predecessur, Sir

Keith Joseph, authorized Her

Majesty's Inspectors to publish a

discussion paper on the curricu-lum in English for children aged

HMI received 931 formal rep-

resentations. It was quite obvious

that while there was widespread

agreement about the purposes of

complain that many school leav-

In his occasional moods as a

custodian of the Atlantic alliance.

Denis Healey argues that the principal obstacle to good trans-

atlantic relations will happily soon be removed. President Reagan

will retire from the scene in two

years time and with him will go all

the conservative follies of recent

years - the Strategic Defence Initiative ("Star Wars"), military

responses to terrorism like the

Libyan raid, help for the Nica-

raguan contras and other anti-

communist guerrillas in Angola, Afghanistan and elsewhere, and

Under Reagan's successor, of

whatever party, Healey's friends

in the East Coast liberal establish-

ment will return in power and

influence - and detente, vigorous anti-terrorist consultation and Salt

2, 3, 4, and 5 will be back on the

international agenda. The Reagan

presidency will seem like a dread-

ful nightmare or, to use the approved phrase, "an aberration".

fulfilment in such predictions has

served to discredit them until

now. But, it is being asked, does not the outcome of the midterm

elections, in which the Democrats

took control of the Senate, estab-lish that the influence of

Reaganism is doomed to fade?

The Republican defeat, as The

Times pointed out yesterday, was a modest one by historical stan-

dards. They lost eight Senate seats

and six House seats yet gained eight goveroorships. At the com-

parable stage in their presidencies,

Roosevelt saw his party lose six Senate seats and 71 House seats in

1938 and Eisenhower had to

swallow a loss of 13 Republican senaturs, 48 House seats and six

If these comparisons dem-

onstrate anything, it is that even the shrewdest politician and the

most effective campaigner must

lose an election some time. That

being so, they should ensure that they lose it by the right margin, to

the right people, on the right issues

Judged by those criteria, Reagan

has not done too badly. He lost (where he did not actually win) by

a smaller than usual margin. Perhaps the fairest test here is the

total popular vote for the nation-

wide elections to the House of

Representatives, which divided

only 51-45 per cent between Democrats and Republicans com-

governorships in 1958.

and at the right time.

The answer is that it does not.

The manifest element of wish

the US arms build-up.

Washington

The paper invited comments.

English language.

established.

from five to 16.

Browsing

Has the Labour PR machine caught up with Denis Healey? Lunching in the Commons cafe the other day, I spied him at the next table - his famous upwardlycurling eyebrows a mere whisker of their former selves. I am convinced he has trimmed them



'I wonder how the BBC will report that without bias'

The Museums Association, with what Lady Bracknell would surely have regarded less as misfortune than carelessness, has lost seven wbole museums. A pathetic paragraph in its latest bulletin laments that a large number of envelopes containing requests for information for the association yearbook have been returned marked "Gone Away". Now it is appealing for "information as to the whereabouts" of seven museums. including the Beatrix Potter, Boarding House, Ballocb and Bath

Digital watch

You can always tell when the strain is getting to captains of industry; they start to forget their own telephone numbers. This happened yesterday at a Manchester press conference to Sir Denis Rooke, chairman of British Gas, whose number must be among the most publicized in the country. Commenting on his £20 million publicity campaign, he cited the number to be dialled by putative sharebolders as 0242 242242. Rothschild managing director Mi-chael Richardson had to remind him that the two 4s in the second part should have been 7s. "Ah, well," said Sir Denis, "I don't have to ring it myself." There's no answer to that.

All-rounder

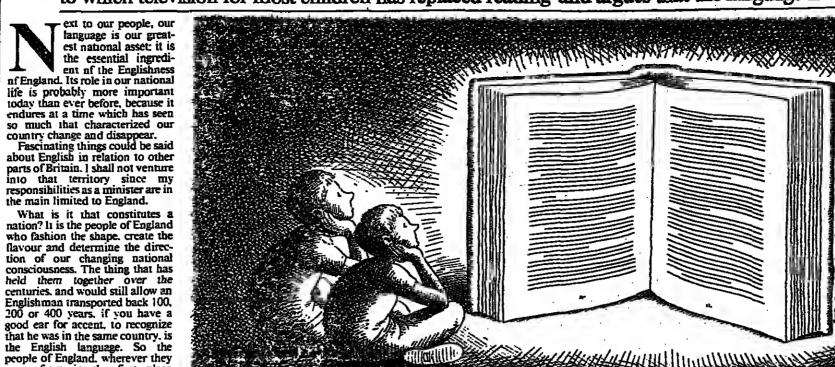
Having hit himself for six, politically at least, Jeffrey Archer none the less retains his place in another arena of controversy, Somerset Cricket Club. I discover that the risk-prone novelist is a member of the cluh and is expected to attend tomorrow's important meeting at Shepton Mallet's Royal Bath and West showground, at which the issue of the cluh's two West Indian players, Viv Richards and Joel Garner, is to be discussed. I gather that his membership of the club derives from his connections with Weston-super-Mare, and that he has become quite a good friend of the two celebrated cricketers. In which case he cannot be all bad.

Blood boiler

I have to tell you that Mrs. Thatcher has missed her vocation. While she was Education Sec-retary in Ted Heath's government (how distant seem those shrill, pre-Saatchi, milk-snatching days) she went to Harrow for a chat with the bousemaster on the progress of her soon-to-be-errant son, Mark. Sitting patiently outside the master's study, she was alarmed when the house tutor appeared and mistook our future PM for a candidate for the vacant job of matron. Unfortunate, perhaps, though perfectly understandable.

Kenneth Baker, Education Secretary, is to launch an initiative to improve the teaching of English. Here he laments the extent

to which television for most children has replaced reading and argues that the language is our greatest national asset



box, more books

Our language must not be treated as a museum piece; to be protected from the ebb and flow of ers applying for a job after 11 years of compulsory education cannot write simply. Clearly and witbout daily life; removed from the market place for fear the rough obvious error. That is often an tongues of common men may exaggeration, but there is disquiet. tarnish and abuse it. It is a living Some research which I will be thing healthy and robust enough publishing shortly shows that nine to thrive in tap rooms, pulpits and out of 10 of 11-year-olds said that they enjoyed reading stories, but two out of 10 indicated that they only read what they had to and senior common rooms. But that great asset must be nourished and treasured and enhanced. We are indeed lucky that it has become four out of 10 indicated that they the main language in the world. It do not usually read at home. At need not have been so. If Clive of the age of 15 the surveys showed India and Wolfe in North America the somewhat diminished enthuhad not beaten the French, and if Cook had not reached Australia siasm for reading among pupils of both sexes. About eight out of 10 said they enjoyed reading, but one when he did, then other languages might well have been more widely in four said they rarely read books at home and the same proportion Like a garden a language needs indicated that, apart from school care and attention; it needs work, they only read if they wanted to find out something. contivation and I am not at all happy that this is happening. Two

here is no doubt that children spend a lot of time looking at television. Popular TV and School Children, published by my department in 1983, indicated that children aged between five and 14 spend an average of 23 hours per week watching television — that's about a fifth of the waking hours a fifth of the waking hours

English teaching, the importance of dealing with language in use, spoken and written, and about the I find this depressing. I know there are books and books and too centrality of literature in English many best-sellers today cynically teaching, there was no agreement cash in on a crude formula of sex and violence. But literature, the reading of good books, is a richer and deeper experience than watch-ing television. A particular feature or consistency about what children of various abilities should be expected to achieve by different ages. In particular there was widespread disagreement and confusion about what should be of the written or spoken word in isolation from visual image is the taught about how our language unique demand it makes upon the works. For example, in a few imagination. Written or spoken schools there is still an attempt to poetry and prose stimulates and enriches the imagination of the teach grammar in the way that my generation understood that term. listener or reader. He cannot make sense of what he sees or hears In other schools pupils are no longer taught about their own without the full play of imagination. A society whose imagination is retarded or stagnating is a What seems clear from what I society which is looking at a bleak have seen is the importance of reading, both for its own sake and to build up the other language skills of speaking, listening and future. It is vital as a sustained effort, not least in our teacher training establishments and our schools, to stress the importance Frequently I hear employers of books at a time when these are

threatened by the persuasiveness

of television, some of which is excellent and stimulating, but much of which is mundane and brain-numbing. Even the best television adaptations of good books are thin when compared

with the books themselves. All TV drama has a tendency to concentrate on intimate buman relationships. Perhaps this is dictated by the medium itself. The best drama is done consummately well; but the excellent series The Jewel in the Crown lost that teeming presence of India, and the politics and turmoil of a nation moving painfully towards in-dependence, within which the last of the British Raj were caught up and buffeted around.

In the recent television version of Bleak House, which evoked brilliantly the Victorian fog, I was sad that one of my favourite comic characters, Mrs Jellyby, was omit-

Books, and the development in children of a love of reading for its own sake, for the enlightenment it can bring, and for the engagement with language and authors, wrestling to create sense out of chaos and to carve some meaning out of absurdity, are under threat from some streams of educational thought and practice. For example, that which perceives books as simply another source of information, inferior to the electronic data base or the programmed instruc-

Also there are those who use books as a kind of burdle to be overcome by dint of dutiful reading in order to answer, without any real understanding, a series of peripheral, pernickity questions: "Was Duncan's blood really solden?" or "What colour were Madame Bovary's eyes?" All this loses sight of, and causes some of our children never to experience, that sense of engagement with a common humanity to which Yeats referred when be said that reading great literature "eases the dreadful loneliness of man". Interest in reading should not just be left to the teacher or the

school. The parent can have a

great influence and at an early age probably an even greater influence than school. There is now ample evidence to show that children benefit in language skills, in understanding and expressing themselves, if stories are read to them by their parents and their parents encourage them to read, and to talk about their thoughts and experiences. But it is all too easy for a child to switch on Bugs Bunny or Donald Duck rather than take a book off the shelf and

read it at bedtime. It has become unfashionable to teach children the benefits of learning things by heart. Learning by beart is not only good memory training, it also gives a sense of achievement. But it need not be a ehore. Children who come to enjoy poetry by hearing it spoken well, and speaking it confidently themselves, will learn it by heart because speaking poetry well cannot be done if your eyes are tied to the printed page. I suspect I shall be told by many educators that I'm old-fashioned. But being old-fashioned is not the same as being

nalysis of modern culture is a hazardous affair. Firm footholds in the marshy ground are few and far between but there are some very fine popular writers about, both of children's books and adult literature. I believe that all our children should be exposed to the great poetry and classical lit-erature of our past. But I also want to promote the habit of reading contemporary literature and to stress that it is still not only stimulating and educational but also enjoyable.

The novels of such writers as John Le Carré, Iris Murdoch, John Fowles and Beryl Bainbridge have very wide appeal. It is interesting that the production of novels on film or television still boost enormously the sale of the books. The television presentation of The Mayor of Casterbridge, of Hard Times and Howards End ensured a substantial increase in paperback sales. It would appear that the public demand reassurance from their global village media that the written form is acceptable or manageable.
I would like to see bench marks

for progress in English which actually set out lists of the sorts of books or authors which children should be able to read and understand at particular ages and levels of achievement. For example, in the case of children of average ability: Animal Farm by age 12 or David Copperfield by age 15. You won't be surprised to know that I am told this is too radical or too centralist or too dictatorial. More seriously I am warned of the dangers of setting minimum or maximum standards. because minimum standards depress expectations and maximum standards not only hold back the ablest but discourage those who cannot reach them.

I know that there is more to selecting books for children to read than gauging the difficulty of the language. Animal Farm is a deceptively simple book written as it is in the form of a fable in which animals talk. There is a risk that teachers and parents can be pushed by the presence of technical competence to introduce some books too early, before the necessary experience of life has developed in the reader the capacity really to engage with the book. When I discussed this idea with a teacher working on the excellent but badly named Low Achieving Pupils' Project, be told me that a list of books would be OK but I ought to include such works as the users' manual for the latest 250cc Japanese motorbike. I take bis

It is of course important that the new proper emphasis on the plication and practical aspects of subjects as exemplified in the technical and vocational education initiative, in the GCSE and in the new City Technology Colleges, should not lead to any dimination of the appreciation of the magic and potency of literature. In particular I want to see a new emphasis on getting every child in

a ciass to read aloud and communicate with the teacher and with other children, to have confidence in using words in all circumschools passivity has been allowed in be the norm.

ducation must, as one of its central purposes, make its pupils reflective users of our language: able the understand it as well as to use it; the be in control of it rather than at its mercy. The English language is our children's birthright. By an early age they will all, with very few exceptions, have learnt most of its particular conventions and or its particular convenions and syntax in speech. They are from birth immersed in a living language through which they increasingly learn to describe, understand and control their environment deepen and enrich their personal relationships; marshal and order their thoughts, and express their feelings. In teaching English it is the teacher's task to build on this. Our children through themselves our canners intograted and experiencing language in speech, writing, reading and listening should come to respect and love it. They should not fear it for the snares of its syntax, nor regard the language used by them as an inferior form to that of great literature or of fine orators.

I have come to the conclusion that a specific new initiative is needed. I will be appointing a high-level independent committee to recommend what pupils in our schools should knnw about the English language. The results will then need to be taken on board in teacher training and in classroom

practice. One of the great mysteries is that the language of the play-ground and the market place is the same as that of Shakespeare and Milton. The trick, pulled off daily by good teachers, is to explore how it is that commonplace words in a particular order, in a particular context, can move us to laughter or tears: can give us a fleeting glimpse into meaning that lies beyond words. On the face of it there is nothing complex about

Houseman's
On Wenlock Edge the wood's in trouble. His forest fleece the Wrekin heaves

The wind it plies the saplings And thick on Severn snow the

leaves. But why and how does it flow so smoothly and so sadly; and what do these relatively plain words bint at beyond an autumn wind in

Shropshire?
To explore language like this, alongside that used in the thousand and one transactions of our mundane lives, in ways that generate competence, but which do not undermine the confidence to use words with freshness, felicity and vigour, is what I see as good English teaching.

My test of quality is that our

children emerge from the process with a love for English; a proper respect for the right words in the right order, and with their linguistie competence ennanced. Bu above all they should emerge with the confidence that comes from knowing that the language belongs (to them and is in their keeping for the time being, and that is both a reassuring and awesome prospect. Extracted from the Alan Palmer lecture, which Mr Baker will be

John O'Sullivan

Don't write off Reaganism





Roosevelt and Eisenhower: both suffered far worse midterm setbacks during their presidencies

pared to 55-43 per cent in the previous midterm elections in 1978 and 1982. The Republican losses, secondly, resulted mainly from the victories of southern Democrats who are every bit as conservative as Reagan himself.
Thirdly, the losses occurred in the middle of bis second term

when he has only a year of effective government before cam-paigning for the 1988 congresional elections begins in earnest. And, finally, the winning Demo-cratic issues amounted to a "me too" campaign which refrained from criticizing Reagan's policies on taxation, defence, the hudget and East-West relations and cnncentrated on local issues of no general or lasting importance. To grasp the novel curiosity of

all this, cast your mind back to the midlerm elections of 1982. Democrats fought that campaign in the hitterest of terms, damning Reagan as an ideological extremist wbose policies would impoverish the country, heighten racial tension, encourage crime, and threaten peace - the Healey view of things, in fact. By 1984 this indictment had been reduced to the argument that although he was a fine fellow personally, his policies were risky and unpopular. His election was a reflection of his personal popularity and therefore had no political significance. ed no political significance.

Now, two years later (when according to the 1982 predictions the Tiber should be foaming with hlood), Reagan's policies have been rehabilitated as well to the extent that the Democrats either support them or greatly mute their opposition. It is a remarkable turn around. The entire political spectrum has moved to the right. Healey, who has seen the Labour Party undergo the same process in reverse, should recognize what has

The Democrats are, of course, adapting to popular opinion. The polls have shown a high approval rating for Reagan's policies in general, and large support for certain policies in particular. The Strategic Defence Initiative, for instance, is distinctly popular and its popularity has risen since the Reykjavik summit. It cannot have been part of Gorbachov's inten-

tion to entrench SDI, but the strength of his opposition to it seems in have convinced Americans that they have something

worth keeping.
But the shift to the right is of much longer gestation. In the mid-1970s, when people were asked m opinion polls to identify the party they felt they belonged to, the Democrats received twice as much support as the Republicans -46 per cent to 23 per cent on average. These figures have been shifting in the Republicans' favour ever since so that today about 36 per cent of voters identify with the

Democrats and 33 with the Republicans. Barring great convulsions like a war or a depression, moreover, this trend is likely to continue. For, as Public Opinion magazine pointed out in a recent issue, Democrats are dying and Republicans are being born (or at least going on the electoral register). The most strongly Democratic age cohort is that which formed its political sympathies during the Great Depression; its members are now aged between 63 and 72 and will gradually -- how shall I put it -- decline in psephological im-

portance. By contrast there are healthy majorities for the Republicans among those aged 27 and below who came to political maturity during the Carter and Reagan presidencies. And since Reagan is apparently just as popular with their younger brothers and sisters at school and university, the natural constituency of the Republicans will continue growing for some years. This means ing for some years. This means that Reaganism is likely to remain the status quo to which both parties adjust.

Of course, there is more to life and politics than statistics of party identification. The Democrats have just received a psychological boost from their capture of the Senate. They may build on their new moderation to launch a more serious bid for the presidency in 1988. Reagan may be followed by Republican contenders who lack his talent for arousing and uniting America's natural conservative majority. Some great convulsion might change everything. But Healey should adjust to the fact that real life is not Dynasty. He is not going to wake up to find the last few years have been a horrible nightmare and that President Carter is still dispensing homilies from the White House.

moreover . . . Miles Kington

Rallying round a rival in distress

You sometimes wonder if there is anything sporting about sport any more. Even in a comparatively gentlemanly activity like yachting, the America's Cup seems in-formed by bitter rivalry, while in football it came as no surprise earlier this season to learn that Manchester United players had been inflicting malicious injuries on one another in training. So I felt my eyebrows go up several feet the other day to hear of a sport where generosity still exists, and where rivals will help you no when you're down.

I have a young friend called Paul Moss who goes rallying — that is, he drives at high speed from one check-point to another down mean streets and along nearly non-existent roads, watching bits of his car drop off and getting from it a pleasure I do not even start to understand. He goes in for rallies whenever he can afford it and usually either wins or fails to finish — last year he came first in the Beaujolais rally — and has just come back from a North American rally - the Canamex -

of wonderful severity.
Paul drove 3,000 miles in three days from New York to Vancouver just to get to the start, so he was pretty tired when he began. As the race was spread over 16,000 miles, which is the equivalent of driving up and down Britain ten times, it was inevitable that sooner or later he would fall asleep at the wheel, and he clearly remembers waking up and seeing a large rock rush towards him at a large rock rosh towards him at 80 mph. He managed to avoid the rock but hit something else hard enough in nearly cripple the front wheels and gear box. He had to drive the remaining 300 miles of that day's stage in third gear.

When he and his navigator arrived, they found the wheels were so jammed up into the wheels.

were so jammed up into the wheel casing that they had to chain the front of the car to a tree and then reverse away rapidly to free the parts. It still needed major surgery on the car if they were to continue, and this is where rallying sounds like an old-fashioned sport, be-cause some of Paul's rival drivers stayed up most of the night, working on the car with him. Can you imagine that happening in any other sport?

The only car in the event which didn't share this spirit of camaraderie was driven by two men who constantly attempted to get the rest disqualified through petty objections. Paul came across these creeps on the way down to Mexico, thoroughly broken down with a shattered axle.

"So you drove past them with a wave, did you?" I asked. "Couldn't really," said Paul.
"We stopped to find out what was wrong, drove into the next town to get a spare axle and came back with it for them. We lost three hours, but we couldn't really leave them, could we?"

As far as I can tell, the hairiest moments came in Mexico, on Highway 51, though it wasn't much of a highway."A lot of it isn't metalled and some of it isn't there at all. One stretch we averaged only four miles an hour because the road had been washed away on either side and become as narrow as the car. Eventually we came to a bit where the road was narrower than the car, with a steep drop on either side."

Grop on either side."

Grood Lord. What did you do?

"We stopped, built a ramp with
our bare hands from earth, then
took a run at it, just hoping that
the car would fly across the gap.
Luckily, it did. Oh, this was in the
middle of the night, by the way."

Some of the other cars were
lavishly equipped down to back-

lavishly equipped, down to back-up teams and even a film crew. Paul, one of nature's improvisers. had little more than a bag of tools, but even so managed to come first in his class and ninth overall. A disastrous result, in my view, as it will only encourage him to enter more rallies if he gets the backing, but at least he seems to be in a sport where, when in trouble, you can turn to your enemies for help. There can't be many like that. In fact, I can't think of any.

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POLICY POSTPONED

The Autumn Statement delivered to Parliament yesterday by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Nigel Lawson, is a defeat for the Government. The best that can be said is that it is a defeat against overwhelming odds and unlike some previous reverses tries to make a virtue of realism. In political terms to have won a victory and kept public spending to previously planned levels might have turned out to be Pyrrhic.

Mrs Thatcher came to power with the intention of reducing public spending. In the event this did not prove realistic and the policy was turned into one of keeping spending level in real terms. The increases announced yesterday of £4% billion in spending next year and £51/2 billion in 1988-89 display an even less ambitious profile converting the prospect of level spending in real terms to one of rising expenditure. This was not the prospectus on which the Government was elected.

Although financial markets have discounted some increase in spending in election year yesterday's statement will do little to reassure. With monetary policy pragmatic to a dangerous degree it is even more desirable that fiscal policy should be firmly disciplined. Mr Lawson promised in his statement that there would be no relaxation of the Government's fiscal stance. There is no sign that borrowing is overrunning in the current year. Markets derived some comfort yesterday from what seemed to be a more welcoming attitude to EMS membership. But it is clearly

more difficult to maintain a prudent fiscal stance if spending is higher.

Admittedly this year's public spending survey has been the most difficult in the life of this Government. At this stage in the electoral cycle there have been strong pressures to trail the Government's coat before the electorate. Every minister has wanted to deck himself out in something old and something new, and the Chief Secretary to the Treasury, Mr John MacGregor, has had to take a more sensitive approach to his task than comes naturally to the Trea-

In addition to electoral pressures the Government has had to pay a high price for unrealistic provision in previous surveys. There is always a temptation to pare down spending in future years in the hope that it can be forced to conform to the numbers determined by the Government rather than the other way round. But this seldom works in the case of the local authorities where the Government has no direct power over the majority of council budgets. Nor can ministers do much to control the degree to which social security benefits are taken up. The Government has reasonably taken the view that a dose of realism has to be applied to the figures inherited

from previous surveys. The need for realism is all the greater because of the prospective overrun on spending of £1/2 billion in the current year. For a brief moment last year it seemed as though the habit of making plans which were invariably exceeded

might have been exchanged for plans which were actually met (or in last year's case undershot). But we seem to be back to the bad old days.

Electoral pressures and the unpaid bills of previous years go far to explain the rise in spending. They do not justify it. Higher public spending inevitably means less scope for cutting taxes and the postponement of those improvements in incentives so important to galvanising the economy. Mr Lawson made no mention of tax cuts vesterday and he is right to be cautious. Even if the buoyancy of non-oil revenue does at the end of the day permit a modest reduction, the chances of achieving a target of 25p in the basic rate of income tax in this

Parliament now look slim. For the future this matters much. In the immediate political calculus it may not weigh so heavily. Some expenditure of treasure to buy off the most pressing concerns about public spending was almost in-evitable. If Mr Kinnock calls the Government "high spending" who can complain that it is miserly?

.The immediate economie

outlook is good with the economy expected to grow by per cent next year and inflation still below 4 per cent. Consumer spending is forecast to remain buoyant and the balance of payments deficit to be managable at £1 1/2 billion. It is a prospect which will have a good deal of appeal for the electorate, as also for the wetter wing of the Tory party. But it is one of hope postponed for the longer term reform of the economy.

FIVE MISTAKES ABOUT MR TEBBIT Tebbit's broadside. His ability to manage properly future

Real Lives or Maggie's Mili-

tant Tendencies has also been

hindered. Even more im-

portantly, the Peacock re-

forms, including the privatisation of Radios One

and Two, can be now all the

more easily be dubbed

There is a danger that the

three misconceptions, which

we have so far addressed, may

engender a fourth, the idea

that Mr Tebbit's substantial

attack on the BBC coverage of

the Libyan bombing was un-

justified and that the BBC

made a comprehensive rebut-

tal of it. Not all of his arrows

hit the target. But too many

did so for the BBC to don its

traditional garb of smug

superiority in the face of

It is noteworthy that so

much of the discussion

surrounding this affair has

concentrated on recalling

other occasions when the

brave BBC beat off attempts to

influence its output by Eden,

Wilson, Callaghan etc. In view

of the high temperatures and

stifling levels of dust that have

been generated by Mr Tebbit's

intervention, it might more

properly be argued that the

principle of public service

broadcasting - of which the

news bulletins are so pre-

eminently a part - has been

subject to too little political

It is because the BBC has

needed to do so little to explain

its principles, because it has

managed so easily to persuade

investigators of the inalienable

rightness of its cause, that BBC

employees have become so

arrogant in their manners and

so uncritical of their own

behaviour. It is that arrogance

and that lack of self-criticism

that has lead to so many of the

Corporation's recent failings.

conception, were it to be

suggested that Mr Tebbit's

concern about the extent of

those failings was anything but

It would be a fifth mis-

debate, not too much.

criticism.

Tebbitism - and dismissed.

The adage that truth is the first casualty of war has now received an exhaustive testing in regard to the US raid on Libya. It has been less tested, however, in regard to the war between the BBC and the Chairman of the Conservative Party, Mr Norman Tebbit. Indeed, a number of misconceptions have arisen about this latter conflict which make the differences between the BBC and ITN handling of the they are to those concerned about the quality of broadcast journalism) of considerably lesser account.

The first misconception is that Mr Tebbit's attack was aimed at improving the Conservatives chances of winning the next election by reducing the anti-government content of political programmes. In order to believe that one has to believe that Mr Tebbit has completely lost touch with the deep rooted views of the British electorate, at least as far as they concern the independence of the BBC. It is possible to make many charges against Mr Tebbit but not that.

The electorate likes the BBC very much. It may be wrong to have such reverential feelings towards an organisation which needs to change with the times and shows little sign of appreciating that necessity. But there are no votes in bashing the BBC - as Mr Tebbit well

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knows. The second misconception is that the Tory party chairman, in indulging himself in a vote-losing exercise on behalf of his party. bas damaged his own interests. Quite the reverse is likely to be the case.

Mr Tebbit does, of course, look increasingly isolated on this issue, as on a number of others. The Prime Minister has given him only the minimum possible support in the House of Commons. His Cabinet colleagues - the most conspicuously quiet being the Home Secretary, Mr Douglas Hurd - have given him less.

Leadership skills

Sir, I read your careers feature by

Edward Fennel (October 27) on

"the dismal lack of graduates with

the talent to motivate and

organise others" both with interest

and disappointment. The article

draws many salient points and

succeeds in clearly defining a worrying problem. There exist.

however, several movements in

Oxbridge and wider, aimed at

addressing this problem through

extra-curricular activities and

Across the field of secondary

education more effort than ever

befare is being directed at

broadening our students' horizons

by developing in them skills of

management, leadership and

communication. This reawaken-

ing of interest to an age-old

problem is partly due to our

with the active help of industry.

From Dr P. M. Gaffney

In the common currency of political debate, isolation is a bad thing. It means a reduced ability to get one's way. For those, however, who are looking beyond today's headlines, beyond the next election, and up towards the leadership hattle to come, a degree of isolation is essential.

During the Westland crisis much of Mr Michael Heseltine's motive in pushing his case beyond the strict bounds of reason was mis determination to escape from the Prime Minister's shadow and to do so on the best possible issue to hand. The Times came under much "informed" criticism for suggesting this allegedly ignoble motive. Nothing that has happened since has led us to depart from it.

Mr Tebbit's position is somewhat harder. He is the Chairman of the Conservative Party. While Mr Heseltine would still have a chance to lead his party (some might say a better chance) if it lost the election, Mr Tebbit would not. That is not, however, to say that Mr Tebbit should do nothing but garner votes for the Tories. (The party is doing none too badly at that, anyway.) He must also consider his own position as as an independent fighter. It takes courage to take on the BBC. A reputation for courageous independence is likely to live on long after the minutiae of Mr John Humphrey's script-writing skills have passed back into

the ether whence they came. The third misconception is that Mr Tebbit's action is part of the movement to reform the BBC, a movement which The Times can claim to have played a modest part m initiating The BBC chairman, Mr Duke Hussey, must have been wringing his hands in rage yesterday on the first day in his new office. His options in, for example, dealing with his beleaguered Director General, Mr Alasdair Milne, have been severely reduced by Mr

education.

and develop the teaching of

management skills. It is being

helped by Pegasus, a national

finding nurselves in an ever more charity which gives the starting resources to secondary education establishments to allow their competitive international market. It is also due to a noticeable

involvement in these activities. trend in our students showing a During last year a pilot managepreference for working within small companies. In small to ment-training course was run in Churchill as an extra-curricular medium-size companies the enoractivity. Great emphasis was mous cost of the traditionally placed on leadership training alaccepted nine months to a year of induction training after graduathough the curriculum in fact tion is often seriously questioned cn vered a broad spectrum of skills. and, as a consequence, attention These activities were very

wholly sincere.

successful, as proved by the has been drawn to the time whilst students are undergoing secondary marked change in and increased maturity of the undergraduates Churchill College, Cambridge, who joined the course and are now a part of college life. An essential is leading Oxbridge in promoting element in the success of the change and in opening its doors and mind to industry. Other project has been the friendly cooperation we have received colleges are rapidly following Churchill has created a fellowship from industry. post with full academie standing Yours faithfully PHILIP M. GAFFNEY with the directive to foster and maintain close links with industry

(Tutor for Industrial Liaison). Churchill College, Cambridge. October 29.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

contribute to the European

The Single European Act will help us to do that. More important

still, it will help us realise more fully the benefits of our

memberhip. I am glad that Par-liament, and Lord Denning, agree.

to be sold at Christie's on Novem-

In supporting his views, may I in addition point and that this masterpiece has been imported

from the USA into this country for

sale. Further, you report (October

also entered this country from

London's outstanding position as

centre of the world's art trade. Sadly this position is in severe danger of being irrevocably dam-

aged. No such masterpieces would

come here for sale hut would be

auctinned in New York if the

proposed EEC directive requiring

15 per cent VAT to be levied on the import of all works of art

coming into this country were

this legislation will go through the

European Parliament on the nod. Time, Sir, is not on our side. Yours faithfully,

with weapons this country produces. We hold our own walk to

the Cenotaph and lay a white

wreath oo the afternoon of

Remembrance Day, but in com-

May I also assure John Cohen

(October 31)that we in the Peace

Pledge Union do not forget the disabled, the widowed, the or-

phaned and the refugees of war. In

the material we publish to explain

our view of Remembrance we

make a particular point of drawing

the reader's attention to what Wilfred Owen, killed a week

before the 1918 armistice, called

the pity war distilled".

Peace Pledge Union,

November 3.

comments

Yours truly

November 1.

DAVID PHILIPS.

44 Wincham Grove, SW11.

A straight flush

mary object of a visit.

From Professor Leslie Collier

Sir, Mr Bernard Levin's pref-

erence for the word "lavatory" over "milet", "bathroom" and so forth (November 3) is surely

illogical, since washing, although

highly desirable, is not the pri-

Other euphemisms such as "privy" and "house of office"

have been in general use for centuries; and if a euphemism we

must have, then let it be "toilet".

which, with but slight local nu-

ances of pronunciation, is used

and understood in most places

When in urgent need abroad,

pedantry must yield in expediency; and whereas a literary

description of one's objective will

demand time-wasting scrabbling

from Calcutta to California.

passer-by

Yours faithfully.

Bronte Cottage.

November 3.

LESLIE COLLIER.

89 South End Road, NW3.

Dick Sheppard House, 6 Endsleigh Street, WC1.

the truth untold, the pity of war,

Let us also remember that it was

Wilfred Owen who bade us not to

repeat "the old lie, Dulce et

decorum est pro patria mori".
Yours peacefully,
WILLIAM HETHERINGTON,

Chairman, Executive Committee,

name. Fair-Rhos, obliterated, presumably because the first syl-

In the parts of Wales which I

know best the children learn their

lessons in English, but play their games in Welsh and thus grow up

bilingual without the intervention

of the Weish language enthusiasts

whose activities I understood to

be the subject of Bernard Levin's

able (a mutation of "Mair

Mary) spells an English word.

plete and reflective silence.

GEORGE J. LEVY, Director,

H. Blainnan & Sons.

119 Mount Street, W1.

There is imminent danger that

imposed

Fnreign and Commonwealth

Yours truly, LYNDA CHALKER,

Community.

Change, tradition and European law

From the Minister of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office Sir, Lord Denning, in Mooday's Times (November 3), argued that the Single European Act undermined Parliament's sovereignty hut that, now that Parliament had taken a decision, all should rally in support. I agree with Lord Denning's conclusions, but for a

different reason. It is true that the Single Euro-pean Act changes the Treaty of Rome and thus adjusts the basis of our membership of the Community. But it does so in ways which are helpful to this country. The Treaty of Rome was negotiated by the nriginal six member States not by us.

have negotiated changes to the Treaty of Rome. Far from saying farewell to nur sovereignty, we have enhanced our ability to act, with nur partners, for our own good. I will give two examples. We need a single large Community market if we are to sell nur goods and services in Europe. We do not yet have it. German law prevents German citizens from huying insurance on the London market. Very few countries allow anything like free competition in air services. We need to change all

The Single European Act will allow a majority vote nn those issues where we need decisions and where our interests are harmed by the current rule which allows action to be blocked indefinitely by one member State alone. But we have not gone overboard. There are many issues where the agreement of all member States will be required, for example tax matters.

Second, we need to be able to compete on equal terms with the US and Japan in the new technologies. That means more cooperation between European firms and governments. The Single European Act creates the legal framework to make it possible. We have the tools. It is now up to us to get on with the job.

Parliament and the people have decided that it is in the Community that our interests lie. It would be perverse to think that this country could possibly gain from pulling out of a Community which has helped sustain peace and promnte democracy in Europe; which enables us to bargain with collective strength in international negotiations and which creates the economies of scale which alone can make us competitive with the US and Japan.

The Community may have its many faults. But the answer to its imperfections is to correct them from within, not suffer their consequences outside, powerless to do anything to put things right. In the House of Lords on Monday Lord Denning warned us not to be

White poppies From the Chairman, Executive Committee of the Peace Pledge

Sir, Like Christopher Crabbie (October 31) I, too, am saddened by noisy political intrusion into the quiet reflection of Remembrancetide. My difference from him is that I find the booming of guns, the sound of marching boots and the clanking of medals an intrusion into the grief I personally feel over the loss of relatives and friends in war. I also find the laying of wreaths by leaders of parties all of whom advocate war as an instrument of future policy a political intrusion

to future peace. It is because thousands share such feelings with me that the Peace Pledge Union has for over 50 years used the white poppy as a nnn-militarist symbol of our sorrow for the suffering both of past wars and the wars which are now taking place and will take place

into what should be a dedication

Emergency call From Mr Stephen Jay Sir, Mr Bees suggests (October 28) that details of next of kin might be included no the credit cards of the elderly people living alone. Mrs Harrisson (November I) points out that this and other useful information can equally well be displayed on a card pinned near the tele-

Surely it is more important to ensure that elderly people can summon immediate aid should they fall or suddenly become ill? This is now possible at relatively modest cost thanks to developments in technology.

Those at risk wear a small pendant-like device. In an emergency, they simply press the hutton on the pendant; this alerts the operator at a permanently manned central station; and within minutes belp can be at their

Yours faithfully STEPHEN JAY (Administrator, The Home Call Trust), 34 Logan Road, Bristol, Avon.

Defence of Welsh

From Mr David Philips Sir. With great respect, I cannot help feeling that Mr Gwynfor Evans (November 1) has misunderstood Bernard Levin's article (October 28).

As I read it Bernard Levin was criticizing, not the efforts to preserve the Welsh language and culture, but the methods used to attain that very worthy object. I yield to none in admiration for

the principality and its people, but have myself been exasperated at the mess made by the language enthusiasts in splashing green paint untidily niver road signs, and I was somewhat distillusioned to see a perfectly good Welsh place-

Pensions as a financial tool isolationisl but to realise the importance of what we could From Mr lain B. Walker

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Sir, Would the Courage brewery workers have gone on strike over the proposed arrangements (report. November 1) had they believed the Imperial pension scheme to be underfunded? In these circumstances I suspect they would have been glad to see their "statutory pension rights" covered by the transfer and shed few tears for their former parent company left in fund a deficit.

in all intents and purposes an asset of the company. The surprising thing about all this is that employees agree 10 pay their contribu-Yours faithfully. IAIN WALKER

Research decline From the Editor of the British Veterinary Journal

in the UK the decline over the last decade has come primarily from the veterinary schools of the the Agriculture and Food Research Council. Perhaps surprisingly, industrial research followed suit and thus the commercial sector is unlikely to compensate

Doubtless the decline in veterinary output fallows from shrinking hudgets and decrease in number of veterinary scientists. Is this sensible when world markets for veterinary products beckon and our potential contribution to world health gives added incentive? We certainly have the advantage of greater use of the English language for communicatinn.

Yours sincerely.

Marriage guidance

marriage-guidance counsellors.

skilled approach.

Services such as these should not be pressured, by lack of mnney, into a lowering of standards. National and local government must recognise the consequences of undervaluing both the professional and the voluntary helping agencies in the community.

Chairman, The Family Institute). 105 Cathedral Road Cardiff, South Glamorgan. October 30.

In good company

Sir. In his article in The Times of November I ynur Media Correspondent, Mr Jonathan Miller, states that since the days ni Sir John Reith the BBC has been run hy 'prngrammers and producers". Reith's successor, Ogilvie, came from the academic world, Foot from the Gas, Light and Coke Company, Haley was a journalist from the Manchester Evening News and Reuters, Jacob had had a distinguished military career, and I had been a foreign

correspondent. A varied company, I suppose that one of the few things we had in common was that not one of us had ever produced a radio or television programme.

10 Palace Gate, W8. November 1.

AL PARTY

ON THIS DAY

NOVEMBER 7 1846

The case of Lieutenant William Green, RN (1785-1846) was strongly pressed by The Times, which twice urged the Government to make more provision for his widow and sever daughters. He had also left three sons, one a medical student, the others in the Navy, who faced las

of advancement through lack of funds. The Conqueror, in which Green served, distinguished itself in the Battle of Trafalgar, capturing the French flagship, Bucentaure, and with her the commander-in-chief

UNFAIR TREATMENT OF AN OFFICER

No one will have read without indignation and disgust the particulars which appeared under the head of "Naval Intelligence" in our paper nf yesterday. We allude to the details of the services of Lieutenant WILLIAM PRINGLE GREEN, who died lately in poverty, at the age of sixty-one, after having served his country with extraordinary zeal for nearly half-a-century. His career is a striking instance of the disproportion between merit and reward in the naval profession; for, though illluck may have had some share in checking his advancement, the neglect and disappointment he endured could not have been the result of mere misfortune. He entered the navy in 1797 and was immediately sent on active service. He distinguished himself even in the first three years of his career, but, being detained an fareign stations by the mortality in the fleet, he was unable to obtain leave to visit England, which it was cessary for him to do before he could pass his examination for promotion... Again, at a later period, the urgency of the service prevented his obtaining leave to pass his examination, by which he lost more than three years' rank; and it was not until he distinguished himself in the capture of the Bucentaure, when be was in command of the boats which were twice sunk, that he was selected by his Captain as having merited the rank of Lieutenant. He at last found a friend in the Duke of Kent, whn got him appointed to the Eurydice frigate, which was em-physed as a ship of observation on the American lines, where he made some valuable observations on the mode of construction and equipment of the ships in the American navy. . . That these were not the mere speculations of a well-meaning enthusiast, but the valuable suggestions of a practical seaman is proved by the adoption of many of his recommendations, for which the thanks of the Admiralty wer repeatedly awarded him. In 1815 the ship in which he had been employed was paid off, and the Duke of Kent personally interested himself in Lieutenant Green's behalf, but the answer of the First Lord of the Admiralty was to the effect that, peace having been proclaimed, there was an end to promotion. The plain English of this was, that Lieutenant Green, who had laboured hard during the war, and had introduced improve ments in the navy, many of which are in use to this day, was no longe wanted. Still faithful to a professinn in which be had experience nothing but ingratitude and neelect, he devoted his time to devising improvements in the navy, one of which having been imitated obtained a reward of five thousand pounds, while Lieuten ant Green, the originality of whose invention was acknowledged by the Solicitor to the Admiralty, got nothing. At length, in 1829, he was appointed to a Palmouth packet as a reward for his long and numerous services. He gave up a lucrative mercantile employment under the assurance that his appointment was for life; but at the end of two years and ten months, the vessel was paid nff, without any provision being made for Lieutenant Green. though others similarly situated were not subjected to such injustice. In 1842 he was made Lieutenant of the Victory, but in 12 months be was removed without any explanation, and he remained until the day of his death unre-warded and neglected. He leaves a wife and seven daughters to live, if they can, on a Lieutenant's paltry pension of fifty pounds per annum... The fate of Lieutenant Green will teach all who enter the navy, that the sincerest devotion to the interests of their profession for a period of fifty years may bring ruin upon themselves and leave little better than destitution to their families. We hope the Government will not hesitate, by some compensation to the widow and children, to repair, in some degree, the injustice dealt to the the husband and lather. We boast no the security we feel in the strength and patriotism of our navy, but here is an instance — and by no means an uncommon one — nf the manner in which we repay those to whom we are so deeply indebted We have empty compliments, and sometimes fulsome panegyrics, fur "gallant tars" and "British seamen," but, from the treatment extended to some of the worthiesi of our "hearts of oak," it would seem that the national heart was made of the same unyielding material.

Phrase or fable? From Mr J. N. Hare

Sir, "Cheer up for Chatham. wooden legs are cheap" was the expression used by our young children's aged aunt when she witnessed one of their tearful accidents.

Did Pitt subsidise wooden legs for Napoleonic veterans and is the cheer one of three? If so, the subsidy is still referred to in one hnusehold. Is it known in any other?

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant, I N. HARE School Farm, Benenden, Kent.

Office, SW1. A pension scheme is currently a legitimate financial tonl of the From Professor Emerius B. A. Worley, QC Sir, Lord Denning rightly points nut that German "infletable rubsponsoring company. The principle has been endorsed by the No one will have read without Government in their setting ground rules for the degree of ber dolls" which our Customs This time it is different. We judged 10 be abscene may be nver-funding in be interated alinwed entry here under the Pensinn funds are tax shelters for company profits, a store in times of plenty and a source of sustenance in lean years. Profits European Economic Treaty, Hawever, all may not be last. The other European Cnurt, that of Human Rights, at Strasbourg, might well accept an individual dumped in them accumulate in-dependently of the company's petitinn against such entry on the own performance - many combasis of article 8 of the European Convention on Human Rights, giving individuals the right to respect for his "family life, his pany pension funds have nutperformed the company's nwn return nn capital. What price does a company pay for this privilege? There is a charge hame and his correspondence" and "for the protection of health against the assets of their pension fund — the pension benefits as defined in the pension scheme or morals". Ynurs obediently, B. A. WORTLEY. rules. This is, however, often 24 Gravel Lane, Wilmshw, Cheshire, minimal in terms of the present liability as compared with the potential liability - especially when the prospect of ex-Art trade threat gratia/discretinnary awards is From Mr George J. Levy Sir, Mr Hugh Leggatt (October 24) aken into account. In times of takeovers and sellmakes an eloquent plea for the nation to acquire Constable's offs the company pension fund is 'Flatford Lock and Mill", which is

Sir, Your report on the decline of scientific research in the UK

block share our decline.

gests a second tier of less trained

The emprional complexities of a troubled marriage and the reper-cussions for children, parents and grandparents are daunting. By the time they get to marriage-guidance councils they have usually already been dealt with at the "shoulder-to-cry-on" level unsuccessfully and need a more objective and

Yours sincerely PHILIPPA SELIGMAN

From Sir Hugh Greene

in pocket dictionaries, or even recourse to unseemly sign language Toiler will more often than not evoke the all-important rapid response from almost any Yours faithfully.

HUGH GREENE,

40 Ennismore Gardens, SW7. November 2

28) that Sotheby's are to offer at auction a Rembrandi and two Frans Hals portraits, which have These auctions underline

> (October 16) sounds a timely alarm, Although research funding fell over the last decade, few studies measure the effect of this on performance which, in veterinary science, is considerable. The number of UK veterinary

publications fell from 13.7 to 10.4 per cent of world output between 1965 and 1985. In the US it rose from 24.6 to 26.9 per cent, in France from 3.6 to 4.5 per cent, in Italy from 1.8 to 2.6 per cent, in Holland from 1.7 to 2.3 per cent and in Japan from 3.5 to 4.6 per cent. The USSR and the Eastern

for the general downhill trend.

JACK M. PAYNE, Editor, British Veterinary Journal, c/o Baillière Tindall, 1 Vincent Square, SW1.

From Mrs Philippa Seligman Sir, Miss Cato (October 30) sug-



COURT AND

Goorkhas (The Sirmoor Rifles)

this morning received Lieuten-ant-Chlonel Juliu Brewer upon

relinquishing command of the 2nd Battalinn and Lieutenant-

Coon upon assuming command.

attendance.
The Prince of Wales, Patron,

colonel-in-Chief the Royal Anglican Regiment, was represented by Majnr General Sir David Thorne at the Thanksgiving Service for General Sir Timothy Creasey which was held in Saint Edmundsbury Cathedral, Bury St Edmunds, this research.

this afternoon.
November 6: Princess Alice.

Duchess of Gloucester, Deputy Culonel-in-Chief, The Royal

Cnlonel-in-Chief, The Royal Anglican Regiment, was represented by Lt Gen Sir John Akehurst at the Memorial Service for General Sir Timothy Creasey which was beld in St Edmundsbury Cathedral, Bury St Edmunds, this afternoon.

The Duchess of Kent this

morning opeoed the Hawksworth Wood YMCA

Family Centre and later opened the Blood Transfusion Centre at

Her Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of 32 Squadron Royal Air Force, was

attended by Mrs Alan Henderson.

Seacroft Hospital, Leeds.

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE

Lamerton.

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
Nuvember 6: His Excellency Mr
Stan Soare was received in
audience by The Queen this
morning and presented the Letters of Recall of his predecessor
and his own Letters of Credence
as Ambessedor Extranglinary as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Socialist republic of Romania tn

Socialist republic of Romania in the Court of St James's. His Excellency was accompa-nied by the following members of the Embassy who had the of the Embassy who had the bonour of being presented to Her Majesiy; Mr Vietur Chiujdea (Cnunsellur), Mr Gheorghe Culau (First Secretary), Mr Dragos Antonescu (First Secretary), Mr Gbeorghe Dragu (Second Secretary) and Mr Inn Gheorghe (Second Secretary).

Mrs Soare had the honour of being received by The Queen.
Sir Patrick Wright (Permanent Under Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs) who had the bonour of being received by Her Majesty was present and the Gentleman of the Household in Waiting

were in attendance.

Mr J W D Gray was received in audience by The Queen and kissed hands upon his appointment as Her Majesty's Ambasandor. sador Extraordinary and

Plenipotentiary at Beirut.
Mrs Gray had the honour of Sir Oliver Wright. Sir John Graham. Bt., Sir Sydney Giffard. Sir Leonard Allinson and Sir Francis Kennedy had the homeur of being received by The Queen upon their retire-ment from the Diplumatic

Lady Wright, Lady Graham, Lady Giffard, Lady Allinson and Lady Kennedy had the hunnur of being received by Her

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh this evening at-tended a dinner, given by the Commonwealth High Commis-sioners to mark Her Majesty's 60th Birthday, at Marlborough

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness were received by His Excellency Mr Shridath Ramphal (Commonwealth Secretary-General) and His Ex-cellency the High Commissioner for Swaziland (Doyen of the Diplomatic Corps and Senior High

Dinners

British Paediatric Association Professor John Forfar, President of the British Paediatric Associof the British Paediatric Association, presided at a dinner held
last oight at the Atheoaeum
Club. The toast to the guests was
proposed by the president and
Professor Niall O'Donohoe responded. The guests included:
Str Christopher and Lady Booth, br
label Fortar. Mrs. Niall II Donohoe,
Dr Alteen Atlans, Dr Anne Bolton and
Professor V Loque, Professor G V P
Chamberlain, Professor Barbarn Clayton, Professor and Mrs. V W M Drury,
Professor and Mrs. V W M Drury,
Professor and Mrs. L Rnys
Davies. Dr Rosentary Flue, and OVETSEAS, WETC:
Lord Brandon of Oakbrook, Mr
Justice Streen, the Admiralty Judge,
Sir Brian Shaw and Mr Rodney
Galtin, Executive Director of the
Burk of England who responded on
behalf of the guests. English-Speaking Union
The Mayor of Chester was
among the speakers at the
annual dinner of the Chesbire W.K. Webster and Company A dioner was held last night at

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the 125th anniversary of W.K. Mr Ian Morris also spoke.

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Abergaveony, the Right Hon Sir William Heselone and Lieuten-ant-Commander Timothy Laurence, RN were in

nendance.
The Duke of Edinburgh, Patron and Trustee, accompanied by The Prince Edward, this afternoon attended a Service in Westminster Abbey to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Scheme.
Their Royal Highnesses were received upon arrival by the Dean of Westminster (the Very Dean of westminister (the very Reverend Michael Mayne). Majur Rowan Jackson, RM and Wing Commander Adam Wise were in attendance. The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, President of the Riding fur the Disabled Association,

today attended the National Conference and Annual General Meeting of the Association at the National Agricultural Centre, Kenilworth. Her Royal Highness was re-

ceived by the Vice Lord-Lieutenant for Warwickshire (the Viscount Daventry) and the Chairman of the Association (Mrs P Langford).
The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark
Phillips, attended by Mrs Timothy Holderness Roddam, trav-

rolled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

The Duke of Edinburgh was represented by Sir Oweo Aisher at the Memorial Service for Dr Beppe Croce which was held in Westminster Cashedral at in estminster Cathedral this

CLARENCE HOUSE
November 6: Queen Elizabeth
The Queen Mother this morning planted a Cross of Remembrance io the Royal British Legion Field of Remembrance St Margaret's Church,

Westminster.
Lady Angela Oswald and
Major John Griffin were in

Her Majesty was present this evening at a performance in the Britten Opera House at the Royal College of Music. Ruth, Lady Fermoy and Sir Alastair Aird were io

Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Colonel-in-Chief, The Rnyal Anglian Regiment, was represented by Sir Martin Gilliat at the Memorial Service for Geoeral Sir Timothy Creasey which was held in St Edmundsbury Cathedral, Bury St Edmunds, this afternoon.

KENSINGTON PALACE and Senior High November 6: The Prince of Commissioner). Wales, Colonel-in-Chief, 2od The Marchioness of King Edward VII's Own

Webster and Company, inter-naconal claims agents for Ma-

rine Uoderwriters. Among the

guests, many whom were from

branch of the English-Speaking

Union held last oight at the Town Hall, Chester. The Duke

Birthdays today

Air Marshal Sir John Donald, 59; Sir John Egan, 47; the Rev Professor Christopher Evans, 77; Mr Timmy Flint, 34; Dr Billy Graham, 68; Mrs Lucinda Green, 33; Lord Greenhill of Harrow, 73; Admiral Sir Nicho-las Hunt, 56; Dame Gwyneth Jones, 50; Professor Sir Edmund Leach Leach. 76: Professor K. Lorenz, 83; Mr Wolf Mankowitz, 62; Sir Robert Micklethwait, QC, 84; Sir John Muir, 76: Miss Ruth in the chair and Sir Antony Pitter, 89; Dame Joan Suther-Buck, QC,MP, was the guest of land, 60; Dame Jean Taylor, 70;

Baroness White, 77.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr S.D. Baimbridge and Miss J.M. Backinghs The engagement is announced between Stephen Baimbridge, BDS, son of Mr and Mrs A.A. Baimbridge, of Slad, Gloucestershire, and Julie, daughter of Mr and Mrs M.P. Buckingham, of Kidlington, Oxford.

2nd Battalinn and Lieutenant-Colonel Sandy McNeil upon assuming command.

The Prince of Wales, Colonel in Chief, The Parachute Regi-ment, received Lieutenant-Culonel Christopher Keeble upon relinquishing command of the 15th (Vulunteer) Battalion and Lieutenant-Colonel Walker Coon upon assuming Mr R.J. Barker and Miss C.J. York The engagement is announced between Robert, son of Mrs S. Barker and the late Mr BJ.R.
Barker of Haywards Heath, and
Caroline, daughter of Mr and
Mrs P. York, of Tonbridge.

Mr S.R.C. Blakeway and Mrs A.E. Kidwell The engagement is announced between Simon Richard Collins,

command.

His Royal Highness, Trustee,
The National Gallery, this afternoon attended a meeting of the
Board of Trustees at The Naoonal Gallery, London WC2.
Sir John Riddell Bt, was in son of Mr M.R. Blakrway, of Congleton, Cheshire, and of Mrs K.G. Pearson, of Freshwater, Isle of Wight, and Allyson Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and The William and Mary Ter-centenary Trust, this evening gave a Reception for the Trust at Kensington Palace. November 6: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdoo this afternoon visited the Mrs E. Carey, of Johannesburg.

Mr B.J. Corbett and Miss R.R. Heap The engagement is announced between Barry John, soe of the late Mr John T. Corbett and of Mrs J.A. Baxter, of Pewsey, Wiltshire, and Rachel Rayner, only daughter of Mr and Mrs G.R. Heap, of Mellor, Lancabire. this afternooo visited the London Hospital, Whitechapel. Lady Aird was in attendance. Her Royal Highness, Deputy Colonel-in-Chief The Royal Anglicas Periment was repre-

Mr M.E.K. Edgley

The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Mr and Mrs N.J. Edgley, af Eaton Hastings, Oxfordshire, and Caroline, daughter of Mr R.G. Tetley, af Chastleton, Oxfordshire, and of Mrs M.J.J. Tetley, and Stewkley, Buckinghamshire.

Dr M.J. Glynn and Dr E.C. Moskovic

The engagement is announced between Michael, younger son of Mr and Mrs Harry Giyun, of Cheam, Surrey, and Eleanor, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Meir Moskovic, of Wembley Park, Middlesex.

Mr T.J. Holland and Miss E.J.S. Cobbold The engagement is announced

November 6: The Duke of Kent returned to RAF Northolt this evening having undertaken engagements to Northern between Thurstan, son of the late Antony Holland, MC, and of Mrs Antony Holland, of Lullings, Balcombe, Sussex, and Elizabeth, second daughter of His Royal Highness, who travelled io an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Captaio Michael Campbellthe late Alistair Cobbold and of Mrs Alistair Cobbold.

> Mr C.M. Horton and Miss C.H. Macfarlane The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Mr and Mrs C.P. Horion, of Studham, Dunstable, Bedfordshire, and Christina, daughter of Major-General W.T. Macfarlane, CB, and Dr H.D Macfarlane, of

Mr J.B.G. Maitland and Miss E.C. Riban The engagement is announced

between John Beojamin Gladwin, soo of the late Mr J.G. Maitland and Mrs A.M. Mait-land, of Henham, Essex, and Elizabeth Clare, daughter of Mr and Mrs R.S. Rihan, of Sutton Coldbeld.

Mr D.G.L. Prior and Miss C.H. Holme The engagement is announced between David, eldest son of Mr James Prior, MP, and Mrs Prior Suffolk, and Caroline Henrietta, younger daughter of Mr Peter Holmes, of The Old Rectory,



Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother visiting the field of re-membrance at St Margaret's, Westminster, yesterday.

Sale room

Painting's origins inspire bidders

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

A painting which carried an Pillsbury, director of the Fort estimate of \$6,000-\$8,000 was Worth Museum and the man sold for \$231,000 (£154,000) who turned down the directorat Sotheby's in New York on ship of the London National Wednesday. A long-running saga of art detection finished The sixteenth-century panel painting of "The Adoration of the Magi" came in to Sotheby's from a deceased estate with an attribution.

Martyn de Vos, a Flemish

Sotheby's thought it was Italian and found the opinions of scholars they consulted homing in on Giorgio Vasari. Three weeks ago, Edward

Prince Georg of Denmark

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Prince Georg of Denmark will be held in Westminster Abbey at 5 pm on Monday, December 1, 1986. Those wishing to attend are invited to apply for tickers as follows: Heads of Missions to the Vice-Marshal of the Diplomatic Corps; members of the family, peers, members of partiament, friends and representatives of organisations to The Receiver General, 20 Dean's Yard, Westminster Ab-bey, London, SWIP 3PA, enclosing a stamped addressed

and the late Mrs Diana Holmes. envelope by Mooday, November 17. Tickets will be posted on Monday, November 24. Admissions to the service will be by

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Mr Douglas Trustram Eve was held in the Grosvenor Chapel on Monday, November 3. The Rev A. Marks officiated and Lord Silsoe, QC, gave an address. Mr John Trustram Eve and Mr Bill Trustram Eve, sons. and Mr Bill I rustram Eve, sons, read the lessons. The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors singers formed the choir with Mr Chifford Dann at the organ. Those present included: Mrs Trustram Eve, widow, other members of the family, his former partners at J.R. Eve and senior chartered surveyors and senior chartered surveyors and lawyers.

Service Dinner

2ad Panjah Regiment Lieutenant-General Sir Juhn Worsley presided at the annual dinner of the 2nd Punjab Regi-ment Officers' Association held last night at the Army and Navy Club, Pall Mall. White Dove Ball

York dealer.

Gallery this summer, told

composition was identical to a

large altarpiece by Vasari in Santa Croce in Florence. It became clear that they had a

small preparatory work or modello on their hands. It was

finally purchased by a New

The White Dove Ball in aid of The Royal Marsden Hospital Cancer Fund, will be held on Wednesday, December 3, at the Dorchester hotel, Park Lane, WI. President of the bell is Margot, Countess of Buckinghamshire. Tickets are available at £55 each inclusive of champagne recention and of champagne reception and dinner with wine. For further details telephone the ball secretary on 352 3786 or 839 2880.

Lancheons

HM Government State for Foreign and Common-wealth Affairs, was host yes-terday at a luncheon held at Lancaster House in honour of Miss Sissel Ronbeck, Norwe-gian Minister of Environment.

The Hon Alan Clark, Minister for Trade, was host at a lun-cheon held at Lancaster House yesterday in honour of M Bernard Bosson, Minister of

Primrose League
Lord Murton of Lindisfame,
Chancellor of the Primrose
League, presided at the annual
chapter function for members
of the Churchill Chapters held Hotel Lord Renton, QC, was the chief guest and speaker. Among those present were. Lord Movbray and Stourton, Lady Murton, Mr. L. Crant Chairman, financy committeel, Judith Lady Roberts (Chairman, Ledes Caurchill Chapter committee), Lieutenant-Colonel Strong Lord Lady Robert Committee.

Butchers' Company Mr Norman C. Pouliney, Master of the Butchers' Company, presided at a luncheon held yesterday at Butchers' Hall. Mr Alan H. Emus and Lord Vestcy

General Sir Timothy Creasey
Queen Elizabeth the Queen
Mother, Colonel-in-Chief of the
Royal Anglian Regiment, was
represented by LieutenantColonel Sir Martin Gilliat, Princess Margaret, Deputy Colonelcess Margaret, Deputy Colonel-in-Chief, was represented by Major-General Sir David Thorne and Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester, Deputy Colonel-in-Chief, by Lieutenant-General Sir John Alchurst at a service of thanksgiving for the life of General Sir Timothy Creasey held yesterday in St Edmundsbury Cathedral. The Provost of St Edmundsbury officiated. Major-General J.B. Dye read the lesson and the Dean of Windsor gave an address. The Lord Lieutenant of address. The Lord Lieutenant of Suffolk and the Mayor of St Edmundsbury attended. Among others present were:
Lady Creasey (widow), Mr Patrick Creasey (son), Major and Mrs David Daniels (son-in-law and daughler), Mr

Viscount Bearsted
A service of thanksgiving for the life of Viscount Bearsted was held at the Liberal Jewish Synagogue, St Juhn's Wood, on Wednesday. Rahhi Julia Neuberger officiated. Mr Robert Waley-Cohen, son-in-law, read a prayer, Viscount Bearsted, brother, read Psalm 15, and Mr Tummy Macpherson' gave an address. Among those present Among those present

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OBITUARY MR HOWARD THOMAS

Creative impresario in British broadcasting model sophisticated Holly-wood comedies like The Thun Man. Sydney Newman, pro-ducer of Armchair Theatre.

A pastiche spy series which started Patrick Macnee as a dandified special agent with

female support supplied by Honor Blackman and, later.

Diana Rigg. The Avengers had a huge following in Britain

and carned more than \$10 million is sales overseas.
Amazingly, ATV had refused to network the first series.

managing director of the new

grammes in the London area.

television's coverage of news.

and current affairs and to

break out of what he called the "schedules straitjacket". On

one occasion he shook up the Thames schedules by screen-

ing two This Week specials in

one evening, but not all the ITV companies agreed with

his decision and refused to

take both programmes.
"ITV has been too rigid",
Thomas afterwards declared.

There has not been enough

allow news programmes to be

flexibility in the schedules to

introdoced at the last

to succeed Sir Hugh Greene as director-general of the BBC, but he stayed with Thames,

becoming chairman in 1974 and retiring in 1979. During his tenure, Thames launched

prestige documentaries like The World At War, as well as

the popular drama series.

Rumpole of the Bailey and The

From 1974 to 1976 be was

chairman of Independent Television News, He was a

governor of the British Film

Institute and a vice-president

of the Royal Television Soci-

ety. He was the author of several

Britain's Brains Trust (1944)

and a disappointingly ano-

dyne volume, The Truth About Television (1962). His

dent Air, appeared in 1977.

Thomas was an impresario of rare intuition, and one of

the most talented exponents of

with ITV. For him, the most

of The Avengers in the United

He married, in 1934, Hilda Fogg, who survives him with

He was both proselytiser

and engineer, and he con-

ceived and wrote the script for the Faraday lecture series, Let's Build a Satellite. This

remarkable performance, into

which he incorporated audio-

visual techniques, raised the

Faraday lecture from the sta-

tus of a specialist event to an

almost mass audience affair.

British Aerospace presented it

the country in 1983-84.

to 70,000 people throughout

Blonstein was a man of

restless, volcanic mind. He lived at a terrific pace, and

even in his leisure time he

would not relax. Under the pseudonym Felix Semper be

produced a considerable

amount of journalism, includ-

ing articles for The Observer,

He also published, under his

own name, a book on picture

framing, and had completed a novel, unpublished, about liv-

ing in space. He had a stroke a

year ago, and had been advised to let up. But he was temperamentally incapable of

He leaves his widow, the

memoirs, With an Inc

books, including The Brighter
Blackout Book (1939), How to
Write for Broadcasting (1940),

He was one of those tipped

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moment".

Sweeney.

He was keen both to im-

independent

Under the re-ellocation of

Mr Howard Thomas, CBE, creator of *The Brains Trust*, and a leading figure in the development of independent television, died yesterday at the age of 77.

He was born at Cwm, Monrouthshire, on March 5, 1909, but during his childhood the family moved to

He began his career as a journalist and advertising copywriter, and in 1938 he started the commercial radio department of the London Press Exchange. At the same time he was writing scripts for radio and, during the early part of the Second World War, he joined the BBC.

the independent television franchises in 1967 ABC was merged with Associated Rediffusion. Thomas became In three years he produced and directed some 500 programmes and brought to the microphone the "Forces' Sweetheart", Vera Lynn, in her series Sincerety Yours. company, Thames, which was responsible for weekday pro-Even more famous was The Brains Trust, in which a panel of experts answered questions ent in by listeners.

From a tentative start, it became one of the most popular wartime shows on the wireless, feeding a public appetite for information and endition at a time of national crisis. It received 3,000 postcards a week, drew audiences of up to 11 million people and turned its three regular "brains" into national

They were the scientist, Julian Huxley, the philoso-pher C. E. M. Joad and a retired naval officer, Com-mander A. B. Campbell. Recruited by Thomas, they were a nicely contrasted team, who took questions from "what is civilisation?" to "how does a fly land on a ceiling?" equally in their stride.

Thomas left the BBC in 1944 because, as he explained in With an Independent Air, originality seemed to be valued more outside it. The corporation riposted by removing his credit from all announcements of Brains Trust programmes both on the

air and in Radio Times. He moved into the film industry as producer-in-chief for Associated British Pathe. There he looked after the Pathé Gazette newsreel and produced many documentaries, including a record of the 1953 Coronation called Eliza-

beth is Oueen. When independent televi-sion started in 1955 Thomas was managing director of ABC, one of the original big four companies. From the outset, he had faith in the oneact play specially written for the British system of broad-television, and among ABC's casting, whether at the BBC or early achievements was Armchair Theatre. Broadcast live gratifying aspect of the success on Sunday evenings, it gave a platform to young playwrights States was that it was pro-like Alun Owen, John Morti-duced to British standards and

When some of the offerings requirements. were criticized for being too gloomy, Thomas cast around for lighter fare, taking as his their two daughters.

MR LARRY BLONSTEIN

Mr Larry Blonstein, who space and communications died in Paris on October 31, division, and spent the next aged 59, was a pioneer in seven years expounding the British space technology, and cause of communicating via was responsible for the success space. of the first all-British satellite.

Born on May 7, 1927, he served from 1947 to 1949 in the army, where he did a good deal of work on impact char-acteristics in colliding vehicles. Afterwards he put this experience to good use as a crash investigator on the London Underground.

He then went to University College, London, where he graduated in mechanical engi-neering. In 1954 he joined English Electric Aviation where he worked on wind tunnels and shock tubes.

In 1957 he became project. manager of UK3, the first British satellite. He had considerable influence on the way it was designed, as well as being responsible for the delivery of the system on time and some highly provocative UK3 went into space on an items on women's affairs for UK3 went into space on an American Scout launcher in

By this time he had joined Plessey, where he gained wide experience as a marketing and manufacturing manager. But be was back to space activities in 1973, working for the next six years on commu-

nications studies with Eurospace, in Paris. He brought this vast experi- artist Lys Debray, and two

ence to British Aerospace in children of a previous 1979, as sales manager for the marriage.

doing so.

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HIS HON JUDGE RIGBY

30. Ho was 69.

Herbert Cecil Rigby was born on April 2, 1917. He was educated at Sandbach School, Ellesmere College and Liver-pool University, before being articled to his uncle's firm of solicitors at Winsford, Cheshire.

In 1937 he was commissioned in the 7th Cheshire Regiment (TA). At the outbreak of war he immediately ealisted and served in the BEF in 1939. The following year he was evacuated from Dunkirk.

Later be transferred to the RAF and won his wings with 11 Group, Hornchurch (Spitfires) in 1942. In that year he 100k part in the North Africa landings. From 1944 to 1945

His Honour Judge Rigby, he commanded 222 Squad-pron, one of the first into since 1980, died on October France with the invasion ron, one of the first into France with the invasion forces in 1944.

> He was admitted solicitor in 1947, this time working as a partner in his father's firm at Sandbach. In 1972 he was one of the first solicitors to be appointed recorder of the Crown Court of the Wales and Chester Circuit

> Rigby was an independent-minded man who gave many years' service to the community, including 14 years on Cheshire County Council.

He married, first, in 1939, Ethel Muriel Horton, with whom he had two daughters. They were divorced after the war. He married, second, in 1949, Florence Rita Scotts, with whom he had a son. He is

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, **DEATHS** AND IN MEMORIAM

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ABLIAS On 31st October 1986, at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, lo Vivien (née Cotctouth) and Nicholas, a son, Jack a brother for David William. ANTHONY On 4th November, at Saint Luke's Hospital, Guildfold, to Jane (née Farrer) and Guy, a son, Christopher John.

BOWEN - On 4th November, to Debo-rah (née Stronczak) and Garetti, a son, Alexander Daniel. CLARK - On October 22nd to Helena inter LD and Colin of Paco de Gorta. 4970 Portugal, a son. Christopher

Ming.

ECCLES-WELLIAMS - On October 27.

to Liz Inée Harding) and Simon, a
son, Benedick, a brother for Harry.

EVERTT - On 31st October, to Barbara (née Rohtmoiler) and Adrian, a
son. Nicholas, a brother for
Charlotte. Charlotte.

GARDRER - On November 5, to Journa tree Greenfield and Anthony, a son. Nicholas Exton, a brother for Charlotte and Sophia.

BLASS - On November 5rd, to Leonie (nie Hamitton) and Luke, a son. Alistair Charles Dunde.

Alistair Charles Dunde.

MALFORD-THOMPSON - On 5th No-vember, at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, W6. to Jean (née Astor) and

venner: ar Queen Charlotte's Hospital. W6. to Jean inde Astor) and Max. a son.

MAWNINS: On Monday November 3rd, to Deborah and Nigel, a son, Barney Charles Henry.

MEMBER: On November 3rd, at the Lindo Wing. Sl. Mary's Paddington, to Sarah (nee Withernw) and Richard, a daughter, Frances Millicent, sister for Edmund Ruhus.

MEXTALL On 3rd November 1985, so Janie and Nicholas: a daughter, issue for Edmund Ruhus.

MEXTALL—On 3rd November 1985, to Mirabny (nee Cedar) and Colfn. a daughter. Katharine Sarah Alexandra. A lovely sister to the twins. Andrew and James.

MORROW On 4 November. to Julie (nee Philips) and Anthony, a soo, Charles Montaque Clare, brother for Annabelle.

MEWMAN On 3list October, to Sarah.

Annabelle.

MEWHARA - On Sigt October, to Surah

(née Stunit) and Robert, a son, Oliver

James Christopher.

MEWHARA - On November Sth, to Sne

and Adrian. a daughter. Anna Vic
lorita, a stater to Casale and Nicholas.

STEPHENSON - On 4th November, at

King's Collège Hospital, to Terry (née

Dorbin) and Peul, a daughter. Anna RUNY S COURSE HOSBITAL TO TESTY (NÃE Corbin) and Pinul. a daughter, Anna Louise. A sister for Charlotte. THOMAS - On 5th November, to Joyce foie Hamill) and Bryn. a daughter, Kaly Elizabeth.

MALLEY - On November 1st, in Dur-ham. to Pairicia (née Weise) and Francis. a son, Hugh James. MEELER - On November 5th. (o Eliz-abeth (née Todd) and Jeremy, a daughter. Annabel Jayne.

BARLEY On Wednesday November 5th, after a short filness, Riddy, much loved wife of Ken, devoted mother to Kim and Amanda, Funeral Service at St. Peter's Brackley, on Tuesday November 11th at 11.30 am, followed by family buried at Edgecote. No flowers or letters please, donations to Bob Champion Cancer Trust. Holland House, Burmester Rd., London SW, 17,

BASSA: On all Non-criber 1986, peocribally after an illness very broach borner. Cantain Rouad Cray Hanks, O.B.Z. V R D*, R.N.R.; aged 69, Dearly loved humband of Elemon and father of Anthony, Prier and Carol, Fusieral Service at 53 Peter's Church, Hamberdon, Surrey, on Wednesday 12th November at 2pm, Family Bowers only, donations well-comed, to Cantar Ressurch.

BARR - On November 4th, peacefully in hospital, ingrid the Modim) aged 80. widow of the late last Barr of Chellenham, Funeral Service, on Fri-day, November 21st at Chellenham Crematorium at 2 pm. Flowers and enquiries to W.S. Trenhalle, Funeral Directors, 174; Bath Road, Chelten-ham, Tel; 0242 514187.

peacefully at home in Ealing was David Walter, aged 44. Desity loved on of Betty Trembath and ite late Walter Brown and stepton, of the late Gordon Trembath. Treasured brother of Lynne and Jennifer and greatly foved brother in law and uncle. Funeral Service at St. Barnabes Church, Pishanger Lene, Ealing W5 on the 11th of November at 11 am. No flowers by request, all enouries to W.S. Bond Ltd. 19 Bond St. Ealing W5. Tel 01 567 0422.

SUTCHER - On 3rd November 1986, in hospital, Dr. Roger Gilbert, aged 46: Funeral Service on Friday 7th November at All Saints, Grayswood, at 11.30 am. Enquiries to J.M. Luff. Tel 0428 3524.

CURREE: On November 4th 1985, peacefully in the Royal Berishtre Hospital after a short libress, Joan, aged 70 years of Reading. Wife of the late Douglas and mother of Michael and Anne. Requirem Mass at Our Lady of Peace Roman Catholic Church, Earley, Reading, on Tuesday November 11th at 12 poon. Flowers may be sent to A.B. Walker & Son Ltd. 36 Eldon Road, Reading.

BALLINGTER - On 3rd November 1985, peacefully, Helen Rosamond Mabel (Rage'), Beloved wife of the late John Roger Dallmeyer, Joving mother and grandmother, Private cremation

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have spoken shall be done, saith the
Lord God.

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GALESKI - On November 5th, sudden-by. Stefan, much loved Doctor, husband, father and grandfather.

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GERS. - On November 4th. in the lowloss care of the Ashlead Hospital. Rowland Frank. So vary dearly fowed by his wife Pair, children Michael. Stefanz, Sussen, Stroom and grandchildren Tim. Leura and Leon. Pinneral Service at St Glies Chuerch. Ashlead on Tuesday November 11th at 2.15 per followed by private cremation. Family flowers ophy. Denoitions if desired to the Appeals Secretary. Royal College of Sargeons of England. 35-45. Lincohn's inn Fields. London WC2A 33PN.

GESTTON - On November 4th 1965. Peacefully in his 80th year. Conmander John Hubert Greinen O.B.E., husband of Mary Etisabeth Fletcher. Funeral private. Family Browers only. please. but donathons if desired to
King George's Finnd for Selfors. at 1 Chemban St. SW1.

LEVEY - On 5th November, at the 15th
bole of the Summerstrand Golf Club. Sydney Heury Williams of Popt Etisabeth. South Africa. Beloved father of
Mangarate, Peter, Jeffrey and Sussen.
MORBINALIEST - On November 5th.
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John. Funeral at Boxwest. Treaties
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Depletion of atmospheric ozone could more than double the incidence of skin cancer and the cancer death rate among Americans, according to the United States Environmental Protection Agency .

The agency says that the change in the protective layer of gas could lead to 40 million cases of skin cancer and 800,000 cases. cancer deaths in the next 88 years. The State Department has told American embassies that the United States Government would propose a "aenterm freeze" on manufactured chemicals that depleted the

The proposal is to be put forward in Geneva next month when the industrialized nations meet to seek an agreement on control of such chemicals.

The agency's assessment on cancer is under review by an independent panel of scientists. It presumes a continuation of the present growth in the me of chlorofluorocarbons: manufacchlorolinorocaroous: mainte-tured gases that break down ozone in the upper atmosphere. Ozone acts as a shield, keeping much of the ultraviolet radiation from the suz from reaching the

The spency also said that increasing ultraviolet radiation on the earth would lead to a growing number of disorders of the immune system and eye cataracts, rising losses of crops and iovest products and a depletion of system resources.

tion of aquatic resources. Officials of the agency Cantioned that the assessment was still under review, but added that if the results were supported after review, it would mean that controls would have to be controls would have to be quickly placed on the production of chlorofluorocarbons. The compounds are used in refrigerants and foams and, outside the United States, in aerosols.

enon, so attempt was saide by the agency to estimate the cancer risks worldwide.

would like to see an agreement on the subject signed sometime next spring. The message to embassics ladicated that the agreement would provide adequate time for industry to shift to

The United States would also suggest "incentives" for compliance, including an agreement among signers to reject imports of the forbidden products from countries not participating in the

There would be an "escape chause" enabling some vital uses of azone depleting substances to stitute was found.

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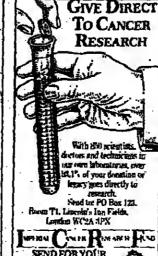
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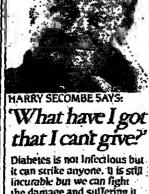
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Science report

The call for a worldwide freeze and eventual elimination of the use of substances that damage the ozone layer represents a shift for the United States administration, which has been The Reagan administration

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say could also have severe environmental effects.











Pretoria alleges | Gulf women prepare for war Harare-Maputo plot to oust Malawi regime

The South African Foreign Minister, Mr R F "Pik" Bo-tha, claimed last night that Zimbabwe and Mozambique were plotting the military and political overthrow of the Malawi Government of President Hastings Banda.

Mr Botha said details of the plot were in a document found at the site of the air crash just inside South Africa's border on October 19 in which the late President Machel of Mozamhique was killed.

The document, in Portuguese, purports to be the minutes of a meeting in Maputo. the Mozamhique capital, on October 16 between President Machel and a senior Zimbabwe military delegation at which the alleged plot was

Mr Botha produced a copy of the document, still smeared with mud, at a press conference in Pretoria, maintaining there was absolutely no doubt about its authenticity.

According to Mr Botha, the attack on Malawi was im-minent. "They were in a big hurry. Plans were aiready underway, some plans were already implemented. It was not just idle talk, it was a

definite plan and agreement."

he claimed.

Mr Botha said the plan would have entailed forcing President Banda to allow Zimbabwean and Mozambique troops into his territory under the pretext of assisting him to repair roads. They would then have blown up bridges.

They were going to infil-trate his police and defence force. They were going to ensure that politically and miltarily that (Banda's) regime

Mr Botha said he had sent an argent communication to Mr Joaquim Chissano, the new President of Mozamhique, asking him whether the Mozamhique Government still planned to go ahead with its plans against Malawi. I think they have a pretty good idea of how far they can

tronhle," he said.

Malawi has long been accused by Mozambique of giving sanctuary to the Renamo insurgents who have been fighting the Maputo Government since Mozambique's independence from Portugal in 1975.

go without inviting severe

Lawson's big spending hints at early poll

Continued from page 1 by £1% billion because of greater expected demand for

means-tested benefits. Capital spending as a whole

goes up hy £1 hillion. The increases partly reflect the huoyancy of spending in the current year. Spending by local councils is 9 per cent higher than planned this year and in spile of lower dehl interest, public spending as a whole this year is expected to be £1/2 billion higher than

Revenue from the North Sea is £1 billion lower than planned because the nil price has been lower but nnn-oil revenues are £2 hillion higher. The Chancellor announced that repayments in nil companies of Advance Petroleum Revenue Tax, due because of lower nil prices, would be accelerated

On balance the combination of higher spending and

leave the level of Government borrowing unchanged.

Following the usual annual review the lower earnings limit for National Insurance Contributions will be increased next April to £39 a week and the upper earnings limit to £295. The limits for the reduced rate bands in-troduced in the 1985 Budget will be increased by propor-tionately more to £65 for the 5 per cent band, £100 for the 7 per cent band. The 9 per cent upper limit for employers rises

Growth in the economy this year is forecast in be a little lower - than in the Budget at 2½ per cent and inflation slightly lower at 314 per cent with the current balance of payments roughly level. Next year the balance of payments is expected to be in deficit by £11/2 billion despite an increase in exports of 51/2 per

Amid reports that another ody round of fighting is imminent in the six-year-old Gulf War, both sides have begun mobilizing women to serve as combat soldiers.

The striking young girl (left) clutching a Soviet-made AK-47 rifle is an Iraqi: the blackveiled figures (above) kneeling in the sand with rocket launchers come from Iran. All are Muslims, and when this cruel conflict first began it was inconceivable that they would be allowed to fight in the front

But so great has been the slaughter, especially among the raw Iranian boys charging towards martyrdom in front of impregnable enemy positions,

thinking in terms of an early

election if the current apturn in the apinion polls is echoed

in next May's local govern-

Despite the increase in spending which he has been

forced to concede, Mr Lawson

had the consolation that he

was able to tell Tory purists

ment elections.

that both these despotic regimes appear to have deemed it time to involve the female population more closely in the unending struggle. In both countries, too, s

tain popular support in the pursuit of altimate victory.

said to be volunte

Lawson's U-turn on spending delights wets scarcely bothering to conceal tion of GDP and that there their smiles, or their belief that would be no increase in the Prime Minister is now borrowing.

> In the spending plans announced yesterday the Department of Health and Social Security is to get an additional £1.75 billion. Housing gets an

The Shadow Chancellor, Mr.

strong element of propagands release of such imprecedented photographs. Faced with growing war weariness, the authorities are finding it increasingly difficult to suslar support in their Reports from Iran suggest

that the first 100 women entering military service - all being trained for the "Basidj," a unit which will, in turn,

extra £360 million.

Roy Hattersley, said that Mr Lawson's figures and foretasts would be treated with increasFrank Johnson at the Commons

Early yule season for needy group

den talk of an early election, yesterday announced emer-gency help for a group whom pecially needy: the voters.

He said he was announcing the Autumn statement on public expenditure. But, he was able to say such things as: "Within this overall con-straint, and in the context of its policy priorities, the Government has felt it right to allow an increase in the previously announced planning totals for 1987-88 and 1988-

And later: ... public expenditure increases . . . demand-led programmes ... social security ... health ... social services . . . more than £600 million". It was, then, a revival of the

old Conservative show of the 50s and 60s, Pre-election Boom! Nothing like on the same scale of course. No tax cuts, easing of hire purchase, or dancing girls. The present generation of performers in his party, not least Mr Lawson himself, have built their careers on rejecting that sort of hamming-it-up. But, to those of us of a certain age, his generosity brought back memories of the sort of Conservatives whom we knew in our childhood: Lord Barber, dear Reggie Mandling, Noel Coward, Ivor Novello, dariing Derick Heathcote-Amnry. They dedicated their lives to delighting 8 mass andience. Such artists are gone now - all gone! Lord Barber is now in the place from where no retired Tory Chancellor returns some bank or other. Reggie Mandling and Derick Heathcote-Amory have been gathered up to answer before the Great Deflationist - as we stern

monetarists regard Him. Actually, Mr Lawson did say a few things to make it clear that the show was not going to be allowed to get out. of hand, as it always did in the past, and cause terrible inflation and a thus a general decline in the morals of the mass audience. According to him, the Government had engaged in "the determined pursuit of free markets and sound money. And that is what we will stick to." So, in this revival, the Chancellor was Scrooge as well as Father

Christmas. This presented difficulties for Mr Roy Hattersley, the shadow Chancellor. He wants

Mr Lawson, the Chancellor to play Father Christmas, of the Exchequer, amid sad. This is a common wish of and who on the whole are not. But how to be Father Christmas when Mr Lawson, loved, seizes the sleigh and begins to lash the reindeer forward nearly two months before Christmas, and per-haps half a year before the

> Mr Hattersley seethed at the unfairness of it. He was not helped when a Tory backbencher referred to "the tuck shop." A Labour backbencher, so doubt trying to be belpful to Mr Hattersley, shouted at Mr Lawson: "you'd know about that". And Mr Denis Skinner, the Labour member for Bolsover, cried "bunter" in the Chancellor's general direction. These were references to the Chancellor being very plump. But so is Mr Hattersley. Both politicians have been planued by the accusation. Theirs is a clash of giants. All sides should call a Christmas truce. now that it does seem to be

When the time came for him to cross-examine the asked how Mr Lawson justi fied the effect of the rate of economic growth on old-age pensioners. Then he embarked on what seemed like lots of well-informed, technical-sounding questions. This confirmed Mr Lawson's long-standing suspicion that Mr Hattersley does not know much about economics. Mr Lawson prefaced his replies by saying that Mr Hattersley had absented himself from Treasury question time, earlier in the day, "in order to

Mr Lawson laboriously anwered each of Mr Hattersley's points, interspersing his replies with such phrases as next, he asked me about the medium term strategy," and he then asked me about fiscal adjustment." Such tactics have endeared him to a whole generation of Mr Hattersley's critics in all parties and none. Mr Hattersley's instincts were probably right the first time. Rather than all this economics, to which he is not naturally suited, he should have stock to the plight of the old-age pensioners. A poli-

tician can never go wrong with the plight of the old-age

pensioners, especially at

and the interest rates battle, came out of the chamber continue to fall as a propor-THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

ACROSS

1 Little demon almost makes

10 Easy situation on board? (9).

11 Flats on the moon for this

us lose our sight (6).

4 Support for marriage (8).

giri (5). 12 An element, you say? (7).

13 Cast nff a foreign tug (7).

14 Nearly all following the fashion with this fugue (5).

1S Moriarty or Macavity in the

20 Expression of father's grati-

23 Perhaps one's under this — risking financial loss (7).
25 Pull fish back on the shel-

26 Quietly left the Pythian scene in India (5).

27 Imperceptible as the sweeter melodies of a Grecian um

28 Sign this pledge indeed? (8). 29 Achates for nne could surrender his right to the

I One who has been to some

2 li is where thought is

centred in the country (7).

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degree successful (8).

world of crime (8).

tude for food (5).

tered side (7).

18 Fish due to be tailed (8).

The Duke of Edinburgh, Colonel in Chief, the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers, visits the Vehicles and Weapons Branch, Chobham,

Surrey, 10.30.
The Princess of Wales opens the fourteenth Daily Mail International Ski Show, Earls Court Exhibition Centre, 11.

Riding for the Disabled Associ-ation, attends their annual meeting, National Agricultural Centre, Kenilworth, Warwicks, 9.50; and later attends the International Yachi Racing Union gala banquet, the lnn on the Park Hotel, 8.
The Duchess of Gloucester

Patron, the Helen Arkell Dys-lexia Centre, attends the Rainbow Ball in aid of the British Dyslexia Association, the Cafe

Royal, 8.30. The Duke of Kent, President,

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crgy! (5).

quickens (7).

7 Totters off as the pace

9 What Chevalier's old lady must wait twenty years for? (7,7).

17 D's territorial limit (5.3).

19 He hurtles all over the place

ward gait (7). 22 Crown I'd made of unusual

24 Repenting making one in a

Solution to Puzzle Nn 17,196

step up the ladder (5).

See articles we have to abominate (6).

"I see what you mean" he might say to the speaker (3-

breaking most of the rules

Quiet stroll with an awk-

Fresh fish prices are up again this week. The biggest increases

spending.

what was not.

the Royal Institution, attends a discourse given by Professor J.M. Thomas, Royal Institution, East fish prices 21 Albermarie St, WI, 8.45.
Prince Michael of Kent, as
Admiral, attends the Royal are on flat fish such as Dover are on that hish such as Dover sole and lemon sole, which are up by 32p and 9p a lb respectively. Large cod fillets are up 3p a lb, plaice up 7p a lb and whiting up 5p a lb. Boned fresh berrings and fresh mackerel show only a Southampton Yacht Club annual dinner, 7.30.

New exhibitions

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calling a spectacular somer-

Some Tory MPs were clearly

shocked by the extent of the

Government's turnaround

and the response as the Chan-

cellor sal down after his statement was distinctly

The Chancellor's personal

reputation with Conservative

MPs, already dented by his

recent Mansion House speech

sault in Government policy,

Prints by staff and students of The Royal College, The Royal Academy and The Slade School; Symondsbury School of Art, Symondsbury, Bridport, Dorset,

ion to Sat 10 to 4 (ends Dec Prints by Strang and Cam-eron; National Gallery of Scot-land, The Mound, Princes St, Edinburgh; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends Dec 24). In Between the Lines — Willie

Rodger: a retrospective; Collins Gallery, Strathclyde University, 22 Richmond St, Glasgow; Mon to Fri 10 to 5, Sat 12 to 4 (ends Nov 28). Music

Concert by the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra; Wessex Hall, Poole, 7.30. Concert by the Hallé Or-chestra; Sheffield City Hall, Sheffield, 7.30. Concert by the Ulster Or-chestra; Ulster Hall, Beifast

7.43.
Organ recital by Kevin Gill;
Birmingham Cathodral, 1.10.
Concert by the Aranjuez Guitar Trio; Church of England,
Middle School, St Mary's Rd,
Tickhill Doposter 8. Tickhill, Doncaster, 8.
Piano recital by Klaus Zoll: The King's School, Ottery St Mary, Devon, 7.30.

Bath International Festival Concert by the Gabrieli Consort and Players: Guildhall, Bath, Concert by the Scottish Na-tional Orchestra; Usher Hall, Lothian Rd, Edinburgh, 7.30.

Talks Jury Decision-Making, by Prof. Ewart Thomas, Rm 47, Psychology Dept, Science Site, Durham University, South Rd,

The Planetarium Roadshow Killinchy Primary School, Mair Street, Killinchy, Cn Down, 8. The pound

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Wales and West: A38: Construction of new round about on Braemar Ave between Bristol and Filton: M4: Contraflow between junctions 16 and 17 (Swindon and Cirencester). M5: Contraflow at junction 14 (B4509); castbound entry slip road closed.

The North: M62: Contraflow
E of junction 33 (A1). M6:
Contraflow between junctions
32 and 33 (Blackpool and Garstang turnoffs); delays especially at weekends. M6: Major roadworks between junctions 17 and 18 near Chester, lane clo-

sures; delays.
Scotland: M8: Contraflow between junctions 29 and 30 (Paisley and Erskine Bridge).
M74: Contraflow between junction 4 and the Bothwell service area; southbound delays. A91: Resurfacing W of Cupar; single alternate line traffic.
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Ski show

The 14th Daily Mail Inter-national Ski Show opens to the public tomorrow at Earls Court Exhibition Centre, Warwick Rd. SW5, and runs until November

Opening hours are Monday to Friday 12 noon- to 10 pm; Saturday and Sunday 11 am to 7 pm. Admission charges are £4 (adults) and £2.50 (children

Anniversaries

Births: Marie Curie, physicist. Nobel laureate 1903, 1911, War-saw. 1867: Sir Chandrasekhara Raman, physicist, Nobel laure-ate 1930, Tiruchirappali, India, The October Revolution in Russia, known as such from the

Old Style date of October 26, Thames Barrier

The Thames Barrier will close today between 9.45 am and 12.15 pm.

Portfolio

Weather forecast

A trough of low pressure over NW Scotland will move SE reaching central parts of England during the evening.

6 am to midnight

London, SE, central S, E Eng-land, East Anglie, E Midlands, Channel Islands: Hather cloudy, mainly dry at first, occasional rain later: which SW moderate or fresh;

max temp 14C (57F). Whitehods, central N, NE Eng-land: Rather cloudy, occasional rain in afternoon, becoming clearer and drier later; wind SW becoming W moderate or fresh; max temp 14C

drier later; wind SW becoming W moderate or tresh; max temp 14C (57F).

SW England, S Wales: Cloudy, titl and coast log patches, occasional rain and orizzle becoming more persistent later; wind SW tresh; max temp 14C (57F).

N Wales, NW England, Lake District, late of Man, SW Scatland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Moray Fritt: Cloudy, occasional rain, perhaps heavy, becoming clearer and showery tater; wind SW becoming W fresh or strong; max temp 12C (54F).

Borders, Edinburgh, Dundoe, Abadees: Rather cloudy, rain in places, becoming brighter and drier in afternoon; wind SW becoming W fresh or strong; max temp 13C (55F).

NE, NW Scotland, Argyil, Northern Instand: Cloudy with rain, soon becoming brighter and more showery; wind SW becoming Country, Shetland: Cloudy with rain, becoming brighter and more showery later; wind S becoming SW strong or gale; max temp 9C (48F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Sunday; Surney intervals and showers in most pleas becoming cludy from the W on Sunday with rain at times. Rather cold with night frost becoming midder leter.

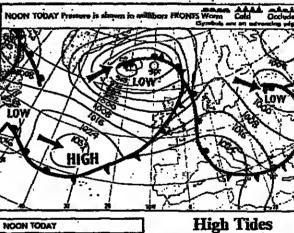
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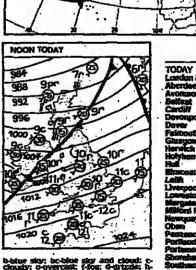
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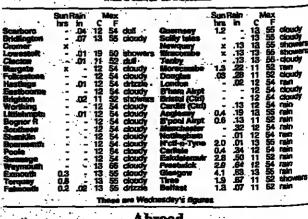
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(9.30): Prorogation.





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lamh are also up slightly, but whole leg and best end chops are unchanged. Boneless sirioin of beef is up 6p a lb on average in the South-east but down slightly

marginal increase and kippers are stable at an average 98p a lb. Home produced lamb prices

are up by about 2p a lb with whole leg ranging from £1.36-£1.70 a lb, loin chops £1.48-£2 a

lb and whole shoulder 60p £1.05 a tb. Loin chops, shoulder and middle neck of New Zealand

suffered further as a result of

his lost battle on public

Treasury Chief Secretary, Mr

John MacGregor, seemed to

have enhanced his standing. It was being said that in his

negotiations with spending Ministers Mr Macgregor had

shown a good sense of what

was politically possible and

But spending Ministers

By contrast his No 2, the

elsewhere.

Best buys at shops and supermarkets are: Sainsbury's: fresh chicken, up to 3½lb in weight, 64p a lb and New Zealand lamb leg £1.28 a lb; Tesco: sirloin steak £3.18 a lb, spare rib pork chops 89p a lb; Dewhurse: 4lb pack of ground beef and braising steak at £5.60 a pack; Bejaur stewing beef 99p a lb and 4lb frozen chickens 59p a lb.

Brussels sorouts at 10-20p a lb

Brussels sprouts at 10-20p a lb are probably the best vegetable buy this week. This time last year they were costing between 20 and 28p a lb. English green cabbage 10-20p a lb, canliflower 20-40p each carrows 12-20p a lb. 20-40p each, carrots 12-20p a lb, parsnips 20-30p a lb and swedes

50-55p are new this week. Russets 30-45p a lb. French golden delicious apples 25-35p are plentiful as are Coxes at 25-45p. Satsumas 25-50p a lb are not very sweet but there is a wide choice of oranges between 8-28p each, lemons 8-18p.

8 (9) About Last Night 9 (-) Hannah and Her Sisters 10 (-) Betty Blue

Top video rentals

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Lawson approvál

cautious vote of approval last oight to the package in Mr Nigel Lawson's autumn state-ment. The Chancellor promised an extra £4.75 billion of spending across the board and also forecast that inflation would be lower than analysts bad been expecting.

Government stocks ended the day in a gloomy mood with marketmen interpreting the Chancellor's statement as indicating that interest rates were likely to remain high for some time. Analysts suggested the Chancellor was injecting something like £10 billion into

the ecocomy. But oils recovered. Shell put on 5p to 946p, just 7p down oo the day, while BP railied 5p to

629p, a drop of 16p in all.

Elsewhere, leading stocks showed more falls than rises. However, any positive re-action to the Chancellor's measures was tempered by news from Wall Street of a downgrading of profits by

1BM, the computer giant.
The pound firmed at the prospect of contiouing high interest rates and the tradeweighted index closed up 0.4 at 69.5 on the day. Market report, page 23

Profits jump

Electrocomponents contin-ues to make steady progress. Pretax profits rose 13 per cent to £18.1 million for the six months to September 30 on turnover op 28 per cent to Mr David Hopkinson, the 5114.6 million. The devidend M & G deputy chairman and was increased 0.3p to 2.2p.

£4.4m Trend

M K Electric Group has paid £4.42 million for 77.6 per cent of Trend Cootrol Systerns, a manufacturer of building cootrol systems. The outstanding shares, which are being retained by directors and some employees, will be acquired by MK over four years from June 1989.

Yamaichi joins

Yamaichi International Europe, the Londoo arm of one of the big four Japanese securities bouses, has become a full member of the London Stock Exchange. It wants to operate an equity service in Londoo for Japanese institu-

Avis seesaw

The shares of Avis Europe, which started trading on the stock market yesterday, closed at 239p, having opened at 226p. The offer for sale was priced at 250p, but one-third of the shares were left with the underwriters.

Taiwan tax cut Taiwan has cut tariffs on 1.843 items to try to open up

he Taiwanese	market
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STOCK MARKETS

to rise by about 25 per cent a year over the next four years.

MARKET SUMMARY

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London closing prices Page 27	EATIC
INTEREST RATES	B.P. 687p (-2
London: Bank Base: 11% 3-month Interbank 11-10 ¹⁶ 16%	Norton Opex

buying rate US: Prime Rate 7%% Federal Funds 6% 3-month Treasury Bills 5.26-5.24%* 30-year bonds 95%-95**2

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McCorquodale hits back after Opax offer

Norton Opex, the printing declared its new bid final which leaves it scope to raise and publishing company, yes-terday raised its terms yet If Opax succeeded, Mr again for fellow printer
McCorquodale with a final
£165 million offer. Opax anoounced that it had secured

the 19.1 per cent stake held by

John Holloran, immediately struck back with a higher cash

McCorquodale shares at 322p

each. The cash alternative has

the shares as a lon

Regalian

By Judith Huntley

Regaliao Properties,

whichspecializes in turning

run-down council estates into

marketable private homes, is

coming to the market for £35

million in a three for seven

rights issue at 325p per share. There will also be a one-for-

This coincides with the

company's half-year results to September 30, 1986, which show pretax profits at £4.11 million, a 120 per cent in-

crease oo the previous half-year and up £440,000 on the year to March 31, 1986.

The company says that the

sharp risewill not necessarily be repeated in the second half.

Earnings per share have risen 70 per cent to 10.83p and

the dividend has been in-creased by 100 per cent. City sentiment has been so

strong that the rights issue has been underwritten at only a 5

per cent discount instead of

the 15 per cent which might

have been expected for a

Pretax profits are expected

MAIN PRICE CHANGES

company of its size.

one capitalization issue.

51.1 per cent.

unconditional

Maxwell would emerge as a 16.1 per cent shareholder in the enlarged group. He said yesterday that he had accepted the higher share offer to allow the generality of shareholders to enjoy it and to participate in the long term development of the merged businesses. Mr Robert Maxwell, publisher of the Daily Mirror, and this took its level of acceptances to of the merged businesses.

There was speculation last night that his ultimate goal The management buyout team at McCorquodale, headed by chief executive Mr

New battle lines

offer at 310p per share valuing was to bid for the enlarged the company at £158.8 million. The buyout team hopes company. City analysts were divided sufficient shareholders will in their opinions. Some sug-gested Opax had done enough withdraw their acceptances so that the Opax bid cannot go to wio and was out overstretching itself. Others said the level of dilution was Opax's new terms, which will not be increased, are too much and those taking seven new shares for three McCorquodale shares valuing

Opax paper would end up "io great difficulty". The new shares to be issued by Opax would amount to 77 per cent of the enlarged share capital. They have been underwritten at 130p.

Mr Holloran said that cash would be the real decider in would be the real decider in the bid, adding that 35 per cent of McCorquodale had beeo bought through the mar-ket for cash by Opax and Mr Maxwell. In addition withdrawals of nearly 9 per cent from the previous Opax offer indicated those shareholders must have accepted the cash and wanted to

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He said it indicated that ooly 7 per ceot of McCorquodale shareholders had been persuaded to accept

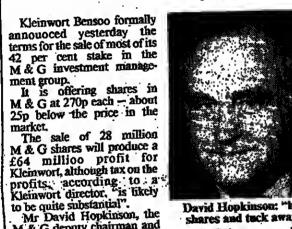
switch to the higher buyout

Opax paper.

Mr Ctive Chalk, a director of Samuel Montagu, which is advising Opax said he was surprised at the speed of the decision by the independent McCorquodale directors to recommend the raised buyout terms. Opax had been seeking

a meeting with the directors
He pointed to the capital gains tax problems of those accepting cash. Mr Holloran said the loan note alternative was being offered as a way round CGT problems.

been raised by 43.3p to 303.3p. Opax shares yesterday eased 10p to close at 138p. The buyout team has oot Benson offers M & G shares at 25p below market price



David Hopkinson: "buy shares and tuck away of M & G, is accompanied by

managing director, described that its profits have doubled cent of M & G. growth investment which you over the past two years. should buy and tuck away".

The sale of the shares, of pretax profits for the year to tions for shares. which represents 37.4 per cent

million.

September 30, 1986, compares with £10.1 million the year before and £7 million to 1984. M&G estimates that earnings per share have increased by 65 per cent over the past year. It intends paying a final dividend of 3.25p net, against 3p forecast at the announcement of its half-year figures.

Kleinwort will not accept applications for "an unduly large proportion" of the shares This is intended to prevent

single applicant purchasing a large proportion of the issue even if the issue is under-subscribed. It would oot preveot applicants from obtaining stakes of about 5 per

Kleinwort shareholders will The £15.5 million estimate be given priority in applica-

Berkeley pays £18.4m for John Govett

Berkeley Technology, the the balance owned by the specialist investment company which offers develop- pension fund.

ment funds to growing technology companies, is to acquire John Govett & Co, the Berkeley Technology will continue to specialize io tech-oology investment. And while fund manager, for £18.4 the combined group will change its name to Berkeley The Govett group is a long established British investment Govett & Company Limited, Govett will operate under its management group with more than £1.3 billion under management, including three own name and existing management.

unit trusts of £100 million and

investment trusts totalling The consideration for the £820 million. It also manage purchase will comprise a mixture of cash (£5.7 million), About 57 per cent of Goveti is owned by the three investment trusts it manages, with contact in the contact in the contact investment investmen

Five Oaks Investments pre-tax profits for the year ending sale value) of the company's

2650,514. Net asset value a London. It has sold its 16,500 sq ft City office project at count, was 42,74p - a 56 per Laurence Poutney Hill cent increase. Farnings per and is set to make about £1.5 million from the deal.

June 30 were up 40 per cent to projects are in the City of

Oil use 'to rise 2%

John Holloran of McCorquodale with symbol of defiance

of the buyout group. The rest is up to the shareholders

Virgin flotation set

to raise £255m

Mr Richard Branson, aged

36.the entertainments enterprenent, is bringing his Virgin Group to market today with an expected price tag of about £255 million.

The flotation will take the

form of an offer for sale by

tender with a minimum subscription price in the re-gion of 120p to 125p a share,

according to market sources.

At the minimum price, Virgin would be capitalized at about £220 million, but the price is believed to have been

modestly pitched to encourage

Virgin, which started life in

1970 as a mail order company

selling popular records, has grown rapidly, and now ac-

counts for an estimated 10 per

cent of the British recorded

music market. Last year it made profits of £19.1 million.

It operates in 17 countries,

employing 1,600 people, with half its sales originating over-

seas. The original group, which was 70 per cent owned

by Mr Branson, was reorga-

urzed prior to the flotation.

The Virgin airline and other

minor activities have been

excluded so that the group could be launched as a pure

the widest possible support.

Existing sharebolders, including Mr Branson, will be raising a substantial sum from the sale of their shares. The

funds will be used to recapital-

ize the airline and other interests, to be called the

Voyager Group.

Ahead of today's prospectus

details, analysts were expect-ing Virgin to make around £25

million in the present year and

possibly £30 million in the following 12 months.

The retail division, which

last year reported sales of £56

million, should show a return

to more normal margins and

profits now that the capital

spendiog programme is

vision is also expected to show

On a striking price of 150p a

£255 million, the shares would

p's TV and press advertising campaign has been good and the issue looks certain to attract heavy support.

Bonds boost

The coupoo rate of 10-year

Japanese government boods for issue this mooth has been

raised to 5.4 per cent from 5.1

per cent, but the issue price is raised to Y99 from Y97. The

move is to stimulate sagging

some growth this time.

financial period.

bond prices.

By David Young Energy Correspondent

Opec's attempts to force oil prices upwards at its meeting next mooth may benefit from the latest statistics released by the International Energy Agency (IEA). These show that Western industrialized countries will use 2 per cent more oil next year. In addition, consumption for the rest of this year is

expected to increase by 2.5 per The overall oil use of the 24 member countries of the IEA

is expected to rise by 3 per ceot next year. The report shows that for

the third quarter of this year oil stocks in the Western world have been increasing, with an average of 3.5 million barrels a day going ioto stocks.

Since 1973 the IEA has attempted to co-ordinate the response of the industrialized world to Opec's attempts to control the oil market.

Opec hopes it can send the oil price up to \$18 a barrel by the end of this year.

European bankers wary of new technology, report says

the least efficient payments technology for more advanced systems in Europe and share many of the shortcomings of By the year 2000, the pos-Continental banks, such as an ition will be reversed, with inadequate use of market re- Britain, France, Spain and search and a haphazard approach to new technology.

A survey of Earonean systems. There is little pros-

A survey of European bankers' attitudes, published yesterday by Retail Banker International, presents a pic-ture of rapid change in retail banking and numerous dan more cash dispensers per head gers for existing banking sys- of population than any other tems for the next 15 years.

transfers, while other Eurotransactions, such as cheques, petition from outside institupean countries rely on paper which are costly to service.

But the success of the giro taken seriously. But financial which are costly to service. system means these banks are services offered by domestic

British banks operate one of less inclined to invest in new

pect of a single European payments system being developed.

Britain and France have Enropean country, with more The best payments services than 160 for every million are found in northern Euro- inhabitants. Both are moving pean countries, according to towards electronic funds
Mr Ron Nevan, the outbor of transfer at point of sale, where the report. These banks op- shop purchases are debited erate a gire-based system of directly to a customers acdirect debits and automatic count, more rapidly than most lo many countries com-

retailing chains, such as in-store credit cards and installment financing, are seen as a serious threat. But the survey showed that

increasing competitioo be-tween banks and other institutions will lead to a breakdown in the traditional full-service relationship banks have with their clients. Few banks base their prod-

ucts and services on an understanding of consumer-demand gained through market re-search. This leaves them vulnerable to other institutions which research the market place more thoroughly, the survey added.

European bankers are wary of investing in electronic banking fechnology. They recognize that much of it has been planned badly and is integrated poorly into the banks' commercial strategies, the survey says. But they agree that further automation is essential

Key Wico staff defect to Swiss **Bank Corp**

oo the Far Eastern securities map yesterday with the recruitment of a significant oumber of senior personnel from W1 Carr (Overseas), a subsidiary of Exco Inter-

Yesterday, at 6 o'clock Hong Kong time, the resigna-tions of at least a dozen key Wico personnel were proffered in Hong Kong and Tokyo. A small sales team io New York is also thought to be iocluded. It is oot clear yet whether anyone in the Loodoo office has defected.

Rumours circulating yesterday suggested the defec-tions were more compreben-sive. They indicated that a coosiderable oumber of backup staff were involved from Wico offices io the Far East, London, New York and Zurich. If this were the case, this would imply a total of more

than 100 people.
Yesterday, Mr Richard
Davey, finance director of
Exco, said: "This is obviously
a disturbing situation and we are doing our best to patch up the dimioisbed business. However, Exco has had a deliberate policy of keeping its exposure to stockbroking down to a sensible level.

"This has proved to he sensible io the light of the musical chairs being played in the City at the moment. In 230p.

Swiss Bank Corporation 1985, Wico contributed 5 per International put itself furnity cent of group profits and we cent of group profits and we expect it to cootribute about the same percentage this year. We would not have made an announcement on this matter to the Stock Exchange if there had not been a movement in our share price this morning.

Mr Andrew Large, chief executive of Swiss Bank Corporation International,

said: "We have recently been awarded branch status io Tokyo and have a requirement for experienced people. We were approached by some employees of Wico who were interested in joining us. We are very excited about the opportunities available in the Far Eastern markets. 1 bave 00 comment to make about the amounts of money iovolved but we are obviously operating io a competitive market-

Exco International recently announced plans to iovest £30 millioo in its Far Eastern stockbroking operation. Part of this was expected to cover the £9.1 million exceptional loss provided at the interim stage to meet settlements made by Wico oo behalf of a Japanese clienL

lo recent mooths, there has been talk of dissatisfaction at Wico and Exco has already lost people.

Yesterday the share price of Exco International fell 12p to

Ford bid rejected as Fiat moves for Alfa

Rome (AP-Dow Jooes) -Finmeccanica, the Italian state-cootrolled holding company, has accepted a takeover bid made by Fiat for Alfa Romeo rejectiog a rival bid by

largely completed. The film, video and broadcasting di-The Finmeccanica board took its decision at a two-hour meeting yesterday. Formal approval was sought from the share, valuing the company at board of istituto per la Ricostruzione Industriale be selling at around 17 times expected earnings for the present year, falling to just (IRI), the state bolding concern which is Finmeccanica'S

leadingshareholder.

Final approval must be giveo by the Italian Governover 14 times in the next

meot. An ministerial committee is expected to discuss the

Fiat-Alfa case today.

Fiat made a bid of about 8,000 billioo lire (£3.9 billioo) to take over and rescue Alfa Romeo.

The bid countered a previous offer by Ford Motor for the acquisition of the secoodlargest Italiao car maker io an effort to foil entry of a dangerous competitor on the Italian car market.

Fiat, which is controlled by the Agnelli family, bid for at least 51 per cent of Alfa Motoring, page 28 Romeo

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In tomorrow's 10-page Family Money, The Times assesses the implications of Mr Roy Hattersley's plans for pension funds and their impact on the 11 million members of occupational schemes.

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ICI chairman calls for stronger links with universities

A wide-ranging strategy for greater co-operation between industry and universities was outlined yesterday hy Sir John Harvey-Jones, chairman of

A real partnership was needed to ensure a prosperous future for Britain and "something needs 10 change hands, apart from mooey", he said. Sir John also gave a warning

to politicians cutting expeo-diture io higher education. Any polincian who thinks the hurden of cost in its totality can be borne by the private sector is living in

dreamland," he said. He was speaking at Bradford University during a one-day conference, entitled industry and Education Partnership to Success, held to mark the 20th anniversary of the granting of the university's

About 350 representatives from industrial and commercial concerns and educational institutions attended.

Sir John, who is chancellor of the university, said it was no accident that a society that was careless about its industrial future should lack understanding about the future of its universities. The problems faced by higher education would not be solved by money



Sir John: warned politicians about education cutbacks

He said both the industrial concern and the university involved must want the partnership and work at it. Many of these collabora-

tions take years before they really take off, he said. "If you are in any doubt. start with the small things first. Don't try to produce the entire range of your company's next generation of products. Do something practical and relevant and both partners can share its

Sir John said work with a university should be seen as normal, not a fringe activity or simply because it seemed a good idea."Trust is huilt over a period of time by openness. understanding and goodwill."

Japan blames West for trade imbalance

By Teresa Poole, Business Correspondent

British companies were sold yesterday that a greater effort ple comes with the asserwas needed if the trade imbalance between Europe and Japan was to improve.

Mr Hideo Kagami, the Japanese ambassador to the fact, in most cases the only European Communities, criticized European and American businesses for failing to under- of Europe or North America. stand traditional Japanese and our partners often hesitate commercial practices, consumer habits, and corporate decision-making processes.

He said foreign goods would be accepted by the Japanese market if their producers made the necessary commit-

But while the number of Japanese business representatives on long-term assignments in Europe was about 33,000, the number of Europeans in Japan was about 2,000. Japanese businesses have 6,100 people in Britain, but there are only 640 British

He added: "Another examtion . . . that Japan's distribution system constitutes a barrier to market access for foreign products. In actual barier is that the Japanese system is different from those

He pointed out that the trade imbalance between Japan and the EEC, more than \$17 hillion (£12 hillion) in Japan's favour so far this year, was the result of increased competitiveness on the part of Japanese enterprises.

to constructively deal with the

difference.

Their efforts have led to their rewards," he said, adding that Japan's current account surplus was "not in any way pursued intentionally".

business representatives in the Japanese language was Agreement on Tariffs and

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Royal Dutch Shell profits jump 27% despite price slump

Profits of the Royal Dutch lion compared with only £21 depreciation of sterling

Shell Group have increased by 27 per cent in the first nine mooths of this year despite stock losses approaching £1 hillion because of the slump in

Earnings on a current cost basis in the third quarter of this year were £554 million, virtually unchanged com-pared with earnings of £553 million in the corresponding

first nine months of the year rose to £2,772 million com-pared with £2.190 million in the corresponding period. After-tax stock losses for the

However, the figure for the

million in the equivalent nine months of 1985. The results in the third quarter of this year were also depressed by charges of £200 million for company reorganization.
The figures show that

exploration and production earnings were lower despite increased production levels because of the fall in crude oil Earnings on refining and narketing were substantially

gaining from the lower crude Corporate currency ex-

higher, with marine sales and chemical production also

against the dollar.

Currency losses of £25 million in the third quarter of this year compare with losses of £177 million in the third quarter of 1985. For the first nine months of the year group funds generated totalled £5,356 million compared with £7,276 million in the corresponding period.

Capital spending and exploration costs this year have totalled £3,275 million. 29 per cent down on the the corresponding period. How-ever, in 1985 Shell spent £600 million on acquisitions in change losses were considerably reduced, reflecting the reflect the weaker dollar.

nine months were £984 mil-Why Britons must learn to become foreigners

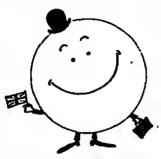
By Edward Townsend Industrial Correspondent

The Confederation of British Industry today takes a swipe at all the old established values of the pin-stripe suited British husinessman abroad; to succeed he must increasingly see himself as "the foreigner." it says.

In a bid to shake Britain's overseas salesmen out of any remaining sense of flag-way ing complacency, the CBI calls on them to stop thinking of themselves as exporters and begin seriously to call each other "overseas marketers". Marketing abroad, says the

employers' organization in a new book published today, demands a shift in attitude, a willingness to learn, to acquire new habits and a new under-"Some Britons are among

Most could do a lot better." The traditional exporter tries to sell what he can make;



The British abroad: we are the foreigners, says CBL

Part of the secret, according to the new CBI formula, is to begin to realize how foreign we are. The concept of foreignness differs from country to country so that in Greece the word for foreigner is the same as that for guest, while in Spain, all foreigners are tourists. "Others may see our suits and ties as symbols of the the best in the world at it, mythically prosperous hi-tech

western world," the book says. Abroad, the British salesman is the foreigner. "It is your strangeness and unpre-dictability that will condition responses; your odd clothes, customs and language."

have its rewards, says the CBL "You can represent both a long tradition of craftsmanship and the new technologi-cal frontiers of the West. The best of British is a perfect combination of the two, conpled with an inventiveness that some more disciplined

And the CBI presents its members with the tempting prospect of becoming "foreigners everywhere". The pre-dicted global village is becoming a reality, it says, and all the overseas marketer needs is to satisfy a universal human

For the professional overseas marketer the world must be his ultimate aim, says the CBL, and the journey of 40,000 kilometres (the circumference of the world) begins with a single, single-minded, committed step. "As those inscrutable foreigners say."

Working for Export Cus-tomers — I'm a foreigner, CBI Publications, Centre Point, 103, New Oxford Street, London WC1A 1DU, £3.50.

Coloroll interim up 47% to £3.5m

General Motors 'to close eight

US plants'
Detroit (Reuter) - General
Motors has decided to close at
least eight US plants with a
loss of almost 27,000 hourlypaid workers as part of a cost cutting drive, the Detroit News, quoting unnamed sources, said yesterday.

Company sources said an

announcement on plant closures was expected imminently.

The Detroit News said five vehicle-assembly plants and three metal-stamping plants would not be closed immediately, but phased out with different timetables.

GM, the world's higgest carmaker, said last month several of its US plants would be closed as part of a restructuring programme to boost sagging profits.

Industry analysts say three jobs in supply plants would be lost for each lost in an

assembly plant Unionized workers affected by closures would have the right to transfer to other GM plants, the report said.

£84m loss is first

From David Watts, Tokyo

Nissan Motor, Japan's second largest carmaker, has returned an operating loss of 19,741 million yen (£84 million) for the six months to September 30.

The company, which opened its first factory in Britain this summer, showed a 38 per cent drop in income for the same period. This is the first time the company has shown a loss.

The company's recurring profit, which excludes excep-tional items, was down 55.4 per cent for the same period. Overall production is down 8.3 percent and vehicle sales

are down 6.3 per cent. Nissan's British unit built 875 cars during the April to September period, while total overseas production was 158,514 vehicles. This represented an overall increase of 1.3 per cent.

Onoda profits soar by 80%

Tokyo (AP-DJ) - Onoda Cement, one of Japan's largest cement makers, said yesterday its net earnings for the six months to September 30 increased by 80.2 per cen1 to ,150 billion yen.

Hong Kong home loans rise by 33% From Stephen Leather, Hong Kong Hoog Kong citizens are per cent in August, which

WALL STREET

Shares follow bonds

down in early trading

New York (Reuter) — Wall
Street shares slipped in early
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CANADIAN PRICES

queueing up to buy their own suggests loan demand is fi-bomes despite fears over the naily breaking out of the Crown Colony's future when it is banded back to China in

Latest government figures show mortgages are the biggest growth area in Hong Kong's banking sector, with bome loans to inviduals soaring by 32.9 per cent to HK\$39.84 billion (£3.6 billion) at the end of September. A year earlier, home loans amounted to HK\$29.97 billion.

Hong Kong's industry also was boosted by the news that loans to the manufacturing sector rose by 16.4 per cent to HK\$23.77 billion over the year. That is a good sign for industrial activity in 1987.

The colony's overall loan demand grew by 14 per cent in September, after rising by 2

M3, is showing a year-on-year increase of 23,4 per cent to HK\$554.74 billion.

doldrums. Even in the early part of this year loan demand seemed to be stuck at 7 per

However, there has been negligible growth in loans to building, construction and property development firms in the latest quarter, up from HK\$36.47 billion at the end of June to HK\$37.64 billion at the end of September.

The Crown Colony's deposit base continues to expand, with total deposits up from HK\$424 billion to HK\$525 hillion over the year to end-September. The broadest measure of money supply.

History of a great shipbuilder

of Harland and Wolff, the shipbuilding firm.

Like so many of the vessels from its yards since Edward Harland, aged 27, took over his employer's shipyard for £5,000 in 1858 and formed his partnership with the even younger Gustav Wolff, a Hamburg Jew, in 1861, the book itself was a massive undertaking. For an "official" history,

commissioned by the company, it is surprisingly un-bowdlerized and in no way hland as such books often are. "An ounce of pluck is worth

Eager accountancy sleuths a ton of luck" was the philos-will be among the keenest ophy of the autocratic William readers of the detailed history later Viscount - Pirrie, who for fraud. - later Viscount - Pirrie, who ioined the partners as a "gentleman apprentice" in 1862 and who dominated the firm as an absolutely unchallenged autocrat from 1885 to his death in harness, aged 78, in 1924.

> tors, all fine engineers, un-equipped for fiscal management during one of the major downturns in the in-

Desperate measures followed during the six-year competition, from, initially, reign of his successor, Lord Kylsant, who was unable to Japan.

By then another autocrat,

Frederick Rebbeck, a brilliant engine designer, had been managing director for three years and was to serve a further 29 as chairman and

sole managing director.

Rebbeck piloted the company into the modern age of welding - which he adopted belatedly and reluctantly -modular construction, boilding docks, a much diminished British merchant marine,

Rebheck's reign encompassed the frantic efforts of the Second World War. With the ending of the postwar boom in the early 60s

H&W was cut back to its Belfast roots, all its mainland facilities being closed and

But it now has perhaps belatedly, some of Europe's finest facilities and an admirable grasp of high technol-

Shipbuilders to the World -125 years of Harland and Wolff, by Michael Moss and John R Hume. Published by Blackstaff Press, Belfast, and Lloyd's of London Press, £25.

COMPANY NEWS

• A CAIRD & SONS: Results for the 17 months to June 30 (12 months to January 31 1985). Final dividend 0.5p (nil). Net rental income and surplus on sale of properties £388,346 (nil). Turnover from discontinued sale of properties £388,340 (ml). Turnover from discontinued retailing activity nil (£1,802,572). Profit on ordinary activities before tax £176,248 (loss £89,467). Tax £13,682 (£32). Net extraordinary income £21,111 (£24,038). Earnings per share 3.27p (loss 2.24p oo old share capital).

share capital).

• GODWIN ELECTRICAL. At close of business on November 5, acceptances of the offer on behalf of Benoett & Fouotain Group for the entire issued share capital of the company had been received in respect of 9,549,613 ardinary shares (91.52 per cent).

• FRAMLINGTON OVERSEAS INCOME AND
GROWTH FUND: A dividend

 BASF AG: BASF and Siemens will merge their compatible processor and peripheral 1985). Final dividend 3.5p (3p) activities to form a new joint making 5.5p. Revenue — dividend and interest oo invest-which will be owned equally by

BASF and Siemens, will be Deposit interest £102,916 based in Manoheim and commence operations on January 1. commissions £13,179 (£22,961).

film, television and video executives a fully-equipped yearround base for European operations.

• KEYSTONE INVESTMENT COMPANY: Results for the year ended Sentenber 30. of 1p per share has been

mence operations on January 1. Initial capitalization will be DM80 million (£27 million). Total turnover in 1987 is expected 10 exceed DM1,000 million.

• TELEVISION SOUTH: The company has reached a conditional agreement to acquire a controlling interest in the Button Design Contracts of London. Button has a controlling interest in London Markets, organizers of the annual London television market place, which will oo longer take place, which will oo longer take place. After the TVS acquisition of Button, London Office International a permanent full-service media business centre in London, will be created to offer international and permanent full-service media business centre in London, will be created to offer international and permanent full-service media business centre in London, will be created to offer international and permanent full-service media business centre in London, will be created to offer international and permanent full-service media business centre in London, will be created to offer international and permanent full-service media business centre in London, will be created to offer international and permanent full-service media business centre in London, will be created to offer international and permanent full-service media business centre in London, will be created to offer international and permanent full-service media business centre in London, will be created to offer international and permanent full-service media business centre in London, will be created to offer international and permanent full-service media business centre in London, will be created to offer international and permanent full-service media business centre in London will be created to offer international and permanent full-service media business centre in London will be created to offer international and permanent full-service media business centre in London will be created to offer international and permanent full-service media business centre in London will be created to offer international and permanent full-service me

e SOUTH AFRICAN BREW-ERIES: Results for the six months to September 30 (figures in R000s). Interim 12.5 cents or 3.86p (10c). Turnover 3,219.6 (2,627.0). Trading profit 205.5 (139.11. Financing costs 64.9 (66.5). Pretax profit 140.6 (72.6). Tax 43.0 (12.1). Divi-dend income and equity ac-counted earnings 24.5 (15.4).

Earnings per share 30.3c (19.4). Net asset value 507.4c (458.9). • AMBRIT

MAMBRIT INTER-NATIONAL: Results for the six mooths to Juoc 30. Total rev-enues £1,057,466 (£1,806,712]. Loss before tax £996,016 (£55,139). No tax (nil). Loss per ordinary (restricted voting) share 4,7p (0.3p).

• BROWNLEE: Meyer International has now received acceptances in respect of 23,268,083 Brownlee ordinary shares (about 97.3 per cent).
Acceptances have also been Acceptances have also been received in respect of 9.078 preference shares (about 90.8 per cent). Meyer intends to acquire compulsorily any outstanding ordinary or pref-crence snares. The share alternative is now closed and will not re-open for acceptances.

• INGERSOLL-RAND COM-PANY: Quarterly cash dividend \$0.65 (4.5p) per share, payable December I.

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By Martin Baker

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Bumpy flight to freer skies

The recent 10 per cent price increase on internal air fares in the United States and Texas Air's takeover of Peoples Ex-press could prove, say some, to be the final nail in the coffin of deregulation of US air

The eight-year process of injecting competition into the airline business is receiving greater attention in Europe as politicians realize the votecatching attraction of a free-for-all in the skies.

But after spawning dozens of new entrants in the airline business, the US industry is likely to comprise only six big carriers and about 20 regional

In Europe, British Airways, in its pre-privatization phase, is one of the leaders in the drive towards deregulating the

Lord King of Wartnaby, the chairman, is concerned that with elections in the offing the airlines should try to maintain control over their destinies and negotiate freer access to routes and introduce greater competition in the setting of fares, rather than waiting passively for the politicians to deregulate their environment in the US fashion.

No cheap fares

European air travellers should indeed be worried by the way in which deregulation in the US has led to mega-airlines and a dirth of cheap fares on the lesser-used routes.

The takeover by Northwest Airlines of Republic, for example, resulted in the airline's home base of Minneapolis being dominated by almost one carrier, dubbed America's Aeroflot, European analysts are now asking whether the same could happen at Manchester, Düsseldorf

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industry. Mr Vance Fort, deputy assistant secretary for policy and international affairs at the Department of Transporta-

Department of Transporta-tion, said: "Deregulation has been an unqualified success. "The number of airlines has gone up from 41 to 175. Some of the carriers are doing very well, and while there are some newsworthy etceptions, the 438 318 Obung Gp process has made possible a new business opportunity."

Politicians like Mr Fort rely heavily for their argument on airlines such as USAir and 327-222 Counted as 328 Gband Gp process for the process of the 438 318 Obung Gp process for the process of the 438 318 Obung Gp process for the process of the 438 318 Obung Gp process for the process of the process for the process of the process of the process for the process of the process of the process for the process of the process for the process f

airlines such as USAir and Piedmont, locked in comnetition mostly in the castern states, but making money as a result of their newfound ability to be flexible and more alert and accountable to their

USAir success

USAir has become one of the most financially strong. It has adopted a policy of slow and controlled expansion and made made \$117 million (£82 million) net profit last year.

Mr Fort estimates that doregulation has saved the American flying public up to \$10 billion a year and that between 1981 and 1985 the average fare a mile dropped by 30 per cent. A total 380 million passengers was carried by US airlines last year, up by 40 million on the previous year, and the 1986 figure is expected to be close to 400

in September, the market value of 47 publicly quote US airlines rose to \$21.7 billion, up by \$545 million on the previous month, and a 26 per cent increase on a year earlier. Since January the value of all airline stock has risen by 55 per cent or \$7.7 billion.

Safety has also improved under deregulation. But despite the gains, the probability of new arrivals on the American airline scene looks doubt-

Protectionism

Equally, there appears to be little opportunity in the short term for foreign carriers to enter the protected US domestic system other than by arrangements such as BA has with USAir. Mr Fort maintains the US has done more than any other country to open up its markets to foreign competition. In banning foreign airlines from internal routes, it was simply following international agreed practice.

There is also scepticism in the US industry about how fast and how widespread deregulation might occur in Europe Mr Randy Malin, executive vice-president, marketing, of USAir, says:
"The US worships at the shrine of competition; we never had a debate about deregulation, we just went

straight to the solution." He adds: "Remember that the market that has responded most to deregulation in the US
is the visiting friends or
relatives sector which accounts for more than 20 per cent of all air travel, while package tourists account for only 7 per cent. In Europe, people living in Manchester are most unlikely to have

relatives in Majorca.". Edward Townsend STOCK MARKET REPORT

Shares lose some support after Lawson statement

By Carol Leonard The Chancellor's aummn statement knocked some of the wind out of the equity market but it failed to damage its underlying firmness.
Initially the FT-SE 100 shareindex went better on the

speech, notching up a 11.7 points rise by 4pm, but second thoughts about increased public spending lowered its gains to just 4.1 points at 1,648.5 by The FT 30 share index

closed at 1,303.9, up 7.8. Gilts began the day on a slightly improved note but they went £1/2 worse at the long

· Savory Milla, the broker, has upgraded its profit forecast for Dubilier, the fuse manufacturer, and is recommending the stock as a buy. It expects at least £5 million profit from the year just ended and £7 million in 1987. Its shares firmed 4p. to 154p, a two-day rise of 16p.

end half an hour before the speech, and they stayed there.

Among leading equities

Hanson was the most heavily traded stock, with a volume of 33 million shares. Most of the business is coming from across the Atlantic, where the company introduced an ADR

facility on Monday.

Traders in London think that Hanson is gearing up for an acquisition in the United States within the next week and possibly one in Britain as well. Its shares gained 5p to

ICI went up 5p to 1089p and Beecham a penny to 441p, while British Telecom eased

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An increase in endowment

mortgage business helped in-crease non-linked new annual premiums by 57 per cent on the corresponding period and

15 per cent on the second quarter of 1986.

Bid speculation refuses to of the American group, die around Pilkington, The British Pru, capi The British Pru, capitalized Britain's biggest glass manu-facturer. The latest word is at £3 billion, has climbed 30p in the past two days to 814p.

The life sector was further that a stake of about 5 per cent will be declared today. Its shares eased 8p to 545p on encouraged by good third quarter new business figures from The Association of Brit-

Talk that the Prudential Insurance Company of America, the biggest insurance com-pany in the world, may be casting a predatory eye over our own Prindential Corporation, sent shivers through the life insurance sector.

Bellair Cosmetics, which is controlled by Mr Mehmet Tecimer, brother-in-law of Polly Peck's chief, Mr Asil Nadir, has clinched a deal to market L'Oreal hair products and cosmetics in Turkey, via its subsidiary Hour Tone, which is 75 per cent owned by Bellair and 25 per cent by Polly Peck. Bellair, suspended in 1984, is having a £2.23 million rights issue, its second in two years. Mr Tecimer's holding has been reduced from 72 per cent to 51 per cent and the shares in issue have increased from 2.29 million to 45.6 million. Mr Charles Keep, Beliair's chairman, hopes to restore the quote next year.

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The British company, which is a completely separate entity from the American company, is ranked nineth in the world league table of

Legal & General reacted first, jumping 10p to 245p. Pearl gained 12p to 1,513p. Harris Queensway eased another penny to 213p after insurance companies, and it is the announcement yesterday well within the financial grasp that GUS has increased its

than 23 per cent. Our report yesterday that Harris Queensway had increased its stake in GUS was back to front. We apologize for this GUS ordinary shares slid a

further 25p to 1463p while the A shares gained 17p to 1,057p Speculators who hope for a bid from GUS for Harris should remember an agreement signed by GUS in July that it will not increase its stake above 29.9 per cent for the next ten years without the express permission of the Harris board. Electronic component

• Eurotherm, the industrial automation stock, has its low of 250p, rising 29p to 279p in the past two days. Several stockbrokers have been re-working their sums and are now apprading their profit forecasts, from about £11 million to more than £12 million. They say the stock is cheap.

nanufacturers did well with the arrival of the old Scrimgeour electronic team at Smith New Court, who were said to be strong buyers.
Farsell gained 8p to 183p.
Diploma 10p to 175p and
Electrocomponents 13p to

Lucas recovered 10p to 470p. Brokers say that the profits down-grading last week to below £90 million by Phillips & Drew was too low. Most are sticking by their estimates of between £95 million and £100 million for the preliminary figures, out on Monday.

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COMMENT

Spending will keep interest rates high

There is, apparently, no limit to Nigel Lawsoo's ability to take risks with the markets. The Chancellor does oot do things by halves. Even more than Sir Geoffrey Howe, Denis Healey and Reginald Maudling before him, he has responded to the prospect of an election with some blatant

pump-priming. And yet, judging by the reaction yesterday afternoon, the statement appeared to be just what the City ordered. The pound rose as the Chancellor was talking, in contrast to its response to his two previous efforts

at the Party Conference and the Mansion House.

But peither this, nor the muted reaction of gilt-edged, should be taken as approval. Rather, the markets reckon that the spending plans will keep interest rates high for longer. It is not quite Reaganomics, defined as loose fiscal and tight monetary policy. Instead, Mr Lawson appears to have slackened oo both sides - though the proof of that must await the Budget.

The planning total of public spending for 1987-88 was set at £143.9 billion in the March Budget. In raising it to £148.5 billion and at the same time cutting the reserve from £6.3 billion to £3.5 billion (against £4.5 billion last time) and lifting asset sales to £5 billion, the Government has been able to boost public spending next year by oo less than £7.5 billion.

We had already plenty of private spending in the economy, thanks to the strong growth of real wages and modest tax reductions. Now the Chancellor has decided that the public sector should do its bit, helping some builders and public suppliers to catch up with the stores sector.

According to Stephen Lewis of Phillips & Drew, the main hope for the markets is that the election comes soon so that something cao be done about the present excesses. In the meantime, the ride could be bumpy.

Mike Osborne of Grieveson Grant said that the reflation was a lot larger than expected and, added to the likelihood of tax cuts next March whether the cash is available or not means higher public borrowing. We

Mr Lawson's tactics over the past few weeks might have been designed to give the impression of lack of resolve. He has played down mone-tary targets, delayed raising interest rates and allowed the pound to fall at the risk of inflation higher than the 3.75 per cent forecast by the Treasury for next year. Now, the public expenditure plans too have gone out of the window. There may have been method in his madness.

Letting go of the reins on public spending would have sat ill against respectable monetary targets. And allowing either interest rates or the pound to go too high would clearly get in the way of an economy that, for both public and private sectors, is intended to be firing on all cylinders, albeit at the expense of a trade deficit and greater inflation risks.

The instinct of the markets, given the Tories' improved showing in the polls, is still to let him get away with it for a while, for fear of something worse. But that generosity may oot last for too long.

Even the oilmen benefit

All this year, the oil companies have been looking for a bit of help from the Government to compensate for the impact of lower oil prices. Eveo so, given their cynical view of governments, they should still be surprised to be offered a handout of £310 millioo in early repayment of advance petroleum revenue tax (APRT) over three

The most likely reaction, however, will be disappointment at two important caveats in the Chancellor's proposals which severely limit the

amount repaid to any one company.

Repayments will only be brought forward for those fields which had oot reached payback by June 30, 1986. This automatically excludes most North Sea fields. Only late developers like Hutton, Brae and Magnus will qualify. And repayments are restricted to £15 million per company per field.

APRT was introduced in 1983 as a device to speed up tax receipts. It was initially charged at 20 per cent of revenues on production over 20,000 barrels a day and was to be deducted

from the petroleum revenue tax (PRT) bill just as advance corporation tax on dividends is deducted from the mainstream corporation tax bill. Where the final PRT bill was oot

big enough to get full relief for the APRT, there was a provisioo whereby the Government would return these advance payments over a five-year period beginning in 1988. Now that the oil price has fallen,

there are huge amounts of APRT owed by the Government to companies with significantly reduced or no current PRT liabilities. The prospect of repayment in 1988 held little appeal as the cash squeeze caused by crashing oil prices meant that some of the potential beoeficiaries might not be around in 1988 to eojoy the refund.

Initial calculations suggest that the companies who will beoefit most in proportion to their size will be the pure exploration companies such as Lasmo, Enterprise, Sovereign and Britoil. For BP and Shell, the concessioo is immaterial. But it is the thought that counts.

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New battle lines drawn in McCorquodale epic

The battle for printer and publisher McCorquodale is proving to be one of the more eventful and drawn out takeover struggles in recent months. The determination of all parties involved intensifies as the stakes increase.

It looked as if it was all overyesterday, when Norton Opex. raised its share offer by £25 million and gamed more than 50 per cent acceptances through the backing of Mr Robert Maxwell, publisher of the Daily Minne the Daily Mirror.

Opax advisers and executives were at the Mirror building until 2am yesterday, pleading for Mr Maxwell's 19.1 per cent stake. They had no intention of raising their offer unless Mr Maxwell said yes. He did and as soon as the stock market opened, details of the higher offer and 51.1 per cent acceptances hit the Topic

However, McCorquodale buyout team, suspecting a higher offer was on the way, had been up until 3cm at the company flat in the Barbican, finalizing details of its higher offer.

Within minutes of Opex's announcement the buyout team added 10p to its 300p cash offer, topping Opax's cash alternative and securing the recommendation of McCorquodale's independent

A tired but resolute Mr John Holloran, chief executive of the buyout, said yesterday that his team was "steady everything left to play for.

Back at Samuel Montagu, Mr Clive Chalk, who is advising Opax, was also in confident mood although his characteristic ebullience was tempered by lack of sleep. He had been up since 7am on Wednesday.

The buyout team, advised by Prodential-Bache and backed by money from Standard Chartered Bank, Productial ica and Electra Candover Direct Investment Plan, is pinning its hopes shareholders (other than Mr Maxwell) withdrawing their previous acceptances to Opax



Richard Hanwell, determined chief executive of Opex-

Opax had received indicaas of withdrawals from 8.97 per cent - but that was under the terms of the previous Opex bid and the previous buyout offer. Shareholders now have two new offers to consider.

Opax cannot declare its offer waconditional until eight days after publication of its offer document. The buyout team has to persuade shareholders to take its 310p instruments to take 183 510p cash, with capital gains tax liabilities, rather than the higher paper offer from Opax. Its argament is that Opax's

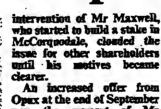
paper is extremely voluerable. says also that Opax is mad to bid for a much larger company, where the 30 senior agers are committed to a bayout and totally opposed to

the bid by Opax. Opax is proposing to issue three times and a haif as many shares as presently exist in order to secure its prey. Although its shares held up well yesterday, the buyout team contends that they are being supported by friends. Mr Maxwell has made small purchases in recent weeks.

Opax argues that anyone wanting to keep a stake in the company, as Mr Maxwell does, should take the paper offer. It points to its share price performance yesterday as evidence of strength.

McCorquodale shareholders have witnessed a great y twists and turns in the bid for their company. Open's original £110 million bid was made in March but it was thwarted by a reference to the Monopolies and Mergers

Clearance from the commis-sion came in September and Opax promptly rebid. The



Maxwell's then 10.8 per cent McCorquodale made the record books with the largest British management buyon attempt at £156 million. It has since re-entered the record books by being the first buyout to be raised in a contested bid

It is also the first major corporate finance move made by Pru-Bache's merchant banking arm, headed by Mr John MacArthur, formerly with Kleinwort Benson.

The one twist that has not been seen is a counter offer from McCorquodale for Opax, which is substantially smaller. McCorquodale has always maintained that the quality of Opax's businesses are lower than its ewn, so it is not interested in this attacking

The bid saga can now ren for a possible 60 days after the offer documents are produced. Neither side is going to give in gracefully, after the high level of acrimony that has charac

Opax is breaking even on its bid costs. The profit on its 14.9 per cent stake, at the buyont terms of 310p, covers the costs of fees and underwriting so far. But Mr Richard Hanwell, entrepreneurial chief executive of Opax, is a determined man and would not be happy to bow out even with a small

By the same token McCorquodale managers, who have been incensed by the attacks made on them by Opax - some of which had to be corrected by order of the takeover panel - are going to fight all the way. Institutional shareholders

can expect another round of lengthy presentations and must be somewhat becaused by the fire and passion going into a struggle. But they can only be delighted by the value put on their shares which were at 2 low of 140p earlier this year.

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COMPANY NEWS

 EBC GROUP: A receiver has been appointed for Balleys • ARBUTHNOT JAPAN GROWTH FUND: Ovidend 0.25p (same) for the year to September 30. Gross revenue £13,618 (£15,728), operating expenses £28,688 (£18,743), deficit for the year £15,070 (£3,015). Roofing, a wholly-owned subsidiary of EBC, acquired in 1985. PRUDENTIAL CORPORA-

TION: A wholly-owned subsidiary. Prudential Property Services, is acquiring estate agencies Sir Francis Pittis and Sons, Scotchbrooks and Ensors. A COHEN AND CO: SIX months to June 30. Interim months to June 30. internal dividend 3.7p (3.3p), payable on February 14. Figures in £000. Group turnover 24,231 (24,229), trading profits 1,192 (478) and eps 32.66p (2.59p).

FIGURE OIL PARTICIPATIONS. Each consideration is partly in cash and partly in Prudential shares and is not material to PC's balance sheet. • CITY SITE ESTATES:

dend 1.4p making 2p (1.7p) for the year to July 31. Figures in £000s. Turnover £9,136 (£6,734). Pretax profit £401 (£283). Tax £115 (£120). Extraordinary credit nil (£48). Earnings per share 5.62p (3.265).

LONDON AND METRO-POLITAN ESTATES: Kleinwort Benson, the mer-chant bank, and Phillips & Drew, the broker, announce that the underwriting of the LAME was completed by 3pm yes-terday afternoon.

• GOODE DURBANT & MURRAY GROUP: Discus-

MURRAY GROUP: Discussions are taking place with Impala Pacific Corpn, a subsidiary of Ariadne Australia, which owns 20.82 per cent of GDM's ordinary share capital. The talks relate to a proposed substantial increase in GDM's ordinary share capital through a capital subscription at 145p per share which, if implemented, will result in a change of control and an offer for all the issued share capital of GDM at that price.

capital of GDM at that price.

· GLAXO HOLDINGS: A new

(3.26p).

terday afternoon.

TIONS: No divided (nil) for the year to June 30. Turnover £2.03 million (£4.34 million), gross loss £385.782 (£1.18 mil-Funds managed by Scottish Provident Institution hold 1,390,000 ordinary shares (15.53 per cent).

FREDERICK COOPER: Reion), amortization of exploration expenditure £457,374 (£358,289), costs written off relating in relinquished acreage of FREDERICK COOPER: Results for the year in July 31 (comparisons restated): no final dividend (0.55p), making nii (1.1p). Turnover £20,038,809 (£24,158,779). Pretax profit £465,567 (£320,608). Tax £270,880 (£181,850). Extraordinary credit £1,253,438 (£174,560 debit). Earnings per share 1.9p (1.4p). £1.7 million (nil). Loss before tax £2.729 million (£659,380 profit), loss per share 13.69p (2.45p carnings).

• SHILOH: Results for the half year to October 4. Interim dividend 1.5p (1p). Turnover £6,730,370 (£7,066,511). Pretax profit £494,919 (£256,017). Tax £173,221 (£60,395). Earnings per share 11.49 (6.97), the group has again made steady progress and the increase in profit reflects the continuing benefits of recent investment. Liquidity has improved and a reduction in interest charges has comributed in the better results. Trading conditions remain reasonably stable and the company is confident of further progress during the second half. • SHILOH: Results for the half

APPOINTMENTS Raine Industries: Mr John

H Bancroft takes over as financial director. J&J Crombie: Mr Robin Edwards becomes sales and marketing director. Kleinwort Grieveson

Investment Management: Mr Geraint E B Thomas joins the board as finance director. ROCK: Mr David Dannhauser is promoted finance director.

Severn-Trent Mr Alan Henn, Mr Andrew Simon and Mr Roger Boissier join the board. Templeton, Galbraith & Hansberger: Dr Mark Mobius

is to be managing director,

chine lurched to a "halt" during the six months to

September 30. Group pretax

profits crept up by £600,000 —from £27.2 million to £27.8

million. After tax - the

figures the bank prefers to

quote - the improvement

looks better, with an increase to £19.2 million from £17.5

Merchant banking profits

fell by nearly £1 million,

compared with the corresponding period, to fill million. Lumped to-

gether, Big Bang costs and losses in "unusual and some-

as the bank describes the

securities markets - come to

acknowleges that the foresee-able future holds further un-

certainties with "sharply

higher costs and unusually

unpredictable revenues." It is

not the only institution facing

The merchant bank's pos-

ition would have been a lot

worse if Treasury, commer-

cial banking and corporate finance activities had fal-

tered. There has been a steady

stream of medium-size cor-

porate finance business and

there is the pleasant prospect

of the British Airways flota-

other banks do. The invest-

powerful improvement -

ment was from internal

Not surprisingly, the stock market was not happy. The

net interim dividend is up

from 3.6p to 3.8p, not enough

to stop a slight weakening in

the shares from 371p to 369p.

At that level the shares look a little cheap, with a prospec-tive p/e of 7.5 on full-year

profits of about £47 million.

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around £4 million.

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tion next year.

growth

Hill Samuel

million.

Hong Kong. Control Risks Information Services: The board of this new Control Risks Group's subsidiary will be: Mr Arish Turle (chairman), Mr Roger Meares (managing director). Mr William Overholt (US). Mr John Eckersley, Mr Christopher Grose, Dr Peter Janke, Mr Michael Martin, Mr Hans Neubroch and Sir

Stewart Wrightson Avi-ation: Mr Jonathan Palmer-Brown is made chairman and Mr Peter Butler managing

Clive Rose.

Edenspring Investments: Mr Michael Braham takes over as chairman and joint managing director. Mr Chris-topher Hill becomes joint managing director. Mr PS Jones joins the board of Braham Hill.

Mountleigh Group: Mr John Watson has been made a main board director and also joins the board of United

Royal Property Trust. Nationalised Industries Finance Panel: Mr Pallip Sellers has become chairman. Hill Samuel Group: Mr David Davies is now a non-

AMT (Holdings): Mr Rodney Hornstein is to become managing director. Gestetner International: Mr

H D Wiltshire and Mr A C Sharland are to be regional

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£3 million pharmaceutical manufacturing plant for its Pakistan subsidiary was inaugurated in Lahore. The plant, the first of its kind in Pakistan, adds substantially to Glaxo's existing production capacity there. managing directors.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

upsets the market handling bank shares like hot bricks for months on fears of what Big Bang may bring. No doubt much of this caution 400 has been overdone, but Hill Samuel's interim results show that the benefits in terms of profits from moving into the securities markets are not yet obvious. The Hill Samuel profit ma-

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Hill Samuel 'halt'

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SHARE PRICE

GROUP

last, long Electrocomponents has mas-tered the art of issning can-tions statements about its prospects without distressing the market. Yesterday's interim announcement carried a warning that market conditions were far from buoy-ant, but the expectation of Mr Tony Chubb, chairman, of further progress during the second half carried the share

price up 16p to 369p.
Pretax profits increased 13 per cent to £18.1 million for the six months to September 30 and sales rose 28 per cent to £114.6 million.

The group has net cash of f3 million; its interest income exceeds its interest payments and its tax charge is fallen from 40 per cent to 35 per cent.

The news is not all good, however. The group made a small loss in the United States, where a significant reorganization is under way. Some improvement is expected in the second half. Margins in West Germany

The merchant banking re-sults would have looked difwere satisfactory. ferent if Hill Samuel included Consequently, pre-interest its investment management margins are being squeezed. From an average of 17.3 per cent last year, they have fallen to 15.2 per cent in the first half of this. Pretax profits of £39.5 million imply services in them as many ment division showed a from £2.8 million to £6.4 million, Most of the improvean undemanding prospective multiple of 14.8.

M & G

The M & G name has been synonymous with conservative, long-term retail investment. Being first in the field it has picked up an enormous slice of the unit trust business and, latterly, has developed a smaller hut

profitable life assurance arm The same degree of conservatism is not reflected in the offer of 28 million M & G shares by Kleinwort Benson yesterday.
At 270p they represent an

8.4 discount to the market while M & G will have a market value of just over £200 million.

True, the offer was accompanied by an estimated 53 per cent increase in profits and a 65 per cent leap in earnings. Nevertheless, the p/e ratio of 20 does look high or the sector.

Comparables such as Framlington Group, Hender-son Administration, GT Management and Templeton Galbraith are on prospective p/es of between 11 and 13. Nevertheless M & G does look fairly pricey, particularly since it has deliberately avoided the dynamism displayed by some of those mentioned above.

The big question is whether M&G's concentration on the retail sector will continue to pay off.

The reverse side of the coin comes in terms of the heavy investment focus on the Brit ish market which accounts for almost 75 per cent of funds. Moreover 50 per cent of M & G's husiness comes through the financial intermediary network.

Self-regulation when comes, io the form of greater disclosure of commissions and surrender values, may bit this source of earnings. Some of the investment

houses have a broader and more even spread of funds. with investment trust money and greater percentage of life and pensioo funds. Not one for the stags.

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Interim Results

30 September 1986

Trading results and prospects Growth continues in first half.

Earnings per share increased by 22.5%.

Interim dividend increased to 2.2p (1.9p).

 Further progress anticipated in the second half of year despite competitive markets.



	Julf year to 30.9.86 unaudited) £m	Half year to 30.9.85 (unaudited) £m	Year to 31.3.86 (audited) Em
Sales	114.6	89.5	199.7
Profit before tax	18.1	16.0	35.3
Taxation	(6.4)	(6.4)	(14.2)
Minorities	_	(0.1)	(0.1
Earnings available for shareholde	rs 11.7	9.5	21.0
Dividends per share: Interim	2.2p	1.9 _p	1.9
Final	_	_	4.35
Earnings per share	11.48p	9.37p	20.6
Increases over corresponding period:			
Sales	28.0%	21.5%	21.7%
Profit before tax	13.1%	25.7%	19.0%
Earnings per share	22.5%	36.6%	28.7%

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Alfa Romeo polishes up the image

Far-reaching changes are in the wind at Alfa Romeo, the state-owned Italian manufacturer of sporty cars which has lost its way in recent years but is still one of the proudest names in motoring. It now looks certain to be taken over by Fiat after yesterday's rejection of the

rival offer by Ford. Either giant would add the pragmatic approach borne of vast experience in world markets to the acknowledged but poorly directed talents of Alfa's brilliant engineering team. One thing is certain. Whoever wins will want to keep Alfa Romeo's name and distinctive approach to fast car design.

But it is of the changes taking place much nearer bome that I want to write today. Two months ago I reported the shocking story of Mrs Serena Thomas of Horndean, Hampshire who had been fighting since December 1984 to have her grievances redressed in the first place for a flawed Alfa Romeo 33 and latterly for an equally troublesome Giulietta. The main problem as with so many of the marque was excessive

rusting.

1 suggested that in view of the countless times both cars had been countless times both cars had been returned for respray and other rectification work the only way out appeared to be a financial settlement. Now Mrs Thomas has written to say: "Thank you for your interest and support. I am pleased to be able to say that because of your article on September 5 the problem has now been resolved. The dealership has taken back the car and paid off the outstanding loan to Mercantile Credit. The only condition was that I bought another car from them. I now have an X-registered Volvo 345 and when I went to pick it up there was a large basket of flowers on the passenger scat - a very

nice gesture on the part of the garage. One of the biggest stumbling blocks facing Mrs Thomas in her battle was the change in ownership of Alfa Romeo GB which took place in April this year when the Italian company sold its subsidiary to the British group Tozer, Kemsley & Millbourn. Maurice Rourke, managing director of the new company, says with commendable honesty that market research at the time showed that motorists had a very poor opinion of Alfa cars. They said they were prone to rusting, unreliable and had a poor resale

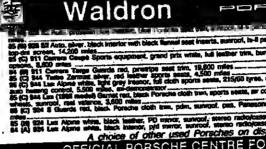
The residual values problem was almost certainly caused by the excessive discounting which the old company employed to register cars. If you buy a cut price new car you get a cut price valuation when you resell it. Mr Rourke says he has put an end to registering cars and claims that as a result residual values are already improving.

The latter will soon show up in trade figures available to the public. But a reputation for rusting and unreliability once acquired takes years to shake off as Lancia are still finding. Rourke insists that there is concrete proof of improvements in both these fields.

Too many times in recent years however Alfa GB executives have said the same and gone on to predict that the company would turn the corner and sales would climb again. Rourke will have none of that. By dropping discounting he admits that sales will fall from around 3,000 last year to 2,300 this year. He was only prepared to speculate on marginal increases over the next 18 months to around 3,000 with a target of 5,000 some three to four years hence. Even 5,000 will still be way below Alfa GB's peak of 13,000 sales in 1979.

When TKM took over it found that the dealer network was a mess. Today a single tier dealer system is being built up. There are about 30 open points to be filled in a network which will eventually

Finally as an example of the new company's awareness of consumer reaction I would quote the following. First deliveries of the new Alfa 75 reached Britain this summer. Along with other motoring writers I criticized the high pedal mountings which made operating the clutch extremely cumbersome. Engineers at Alfa's Dover headquarters built a mock-up with modified pedal positions and sent it to Milan for approval. They got it almost immediately. Future right hand drive models they were the only culprits - will have the new angles when they leave the factory. If you already have an unmodi-



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supero 944. Of course there are still those diehard Porsche followers who are scornful of all front engined Porsches like the 944 insisting that the 20-year-old rear engined Porsche

Vital statistics Model: Porsche 944S Price: \$23,997 Engine: 2479cc 16 valve four

Performance: 0-62mph 7.9 seconds, maximum speed 142mph

Official consumption: Urban 22.6mph, 56mph 42.8mpg and 75mph 34mpg Length: 30.8 feet Insurance: Group 8/9.

product of the legendary Ferdinand Porsche and his son Ferry. The 911 has been fine houed year after year until today it represents the zenith of road going rear engined muscle car design but it is quirky to drive particularly in the wet. Get it wrong and the lightly loaded front develops a

mind of its own. It is also physically demanding with a heavy clutch and agricultural gear change. The ride is harsh and tiring. 911 owners readily admit these shortcomings but in a way that suggests they welcome them as a challenge to their skill as a driver.

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office to a small business. Designed for expanding small businesses and start-up ventures, the Broad
Oak village is unable to keep ap with
requests for office and workshop accomodation.

Another seven units will have been built by the end of the year, bringing Shell UK's investment to about £250,000, but that will still leave six hopefuls on the waiting list. Even the

office space. The village is wholly managed by Shell UK and, leaving aside Mr Crawford's £7,000-a-year part-time salary, paid by head office, it is hoped the venture will break even this year.

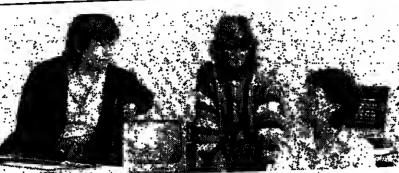
He says: "We are not running it as a commercial enterprise but as part of Shell UK's commitment to help small inesses in the community. The 25 existing units are offered on a four-year lease at about £2.50 a squar

metre a month for office space and up to £3 for workshops. Over the last year, just two businesses have moved out because of limited success while a number have prospered

The village was the first smalls enterprise to be managed wholly by Shell UK. Its success prompted the opening in September of the far bigger Carrington Business Park near Manchester, also under the company's

Mr Crawford says: "We are happier when we are in sole charge because we can run it as we want to run it." esses at Broad Oak have The busin created about 70 jobs and include

Carousel, carriers and freight trader, Scissor Hoist, which manufactures lifting gear, and Bioanalytical Research, a biochemical research company.



A cooperative profiting from a market gap: Carol Esposti, left; Helen Paterson, and Deirdre Holland

ished. Many had never been used at all: created difficulties by raising questions about their husbands' financial resources Helen Patersoo and Carol Esposti have since takeo a nine-month course to somewhat irrelevant as two of the

women were single parents.

Eventually they found a manager — of Midland Bank's Docks branch — who was more interested in the plan than in their husband's collateral, and allowed

them a £3,000 overdraft. There were also family responsibilities, as they had nine dependent children between them, two under school age. These two have free oursery places at SGWW, which also provided temporary business premises in the early days, plus guidance from a researcher, Sue Essex

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Blackaller, by 36 seconds at the

Perhaps more importantly, it means they are forced to sail today's race against New Zealand with a spare mast pulled nut of Crusader II. The replace-

ment would be no one's first

ment would be no ones list choice for such a tough match.

The rig we've damaged was very, very fine. It was the fourth sequential step in a five-mast programme and was one of the best around the entire fleet.

Cudmore said. "The one we are constitution again a much more like.

stepping now is much more like everybody else's."

The damaged mast, built by Proctor of Southampton, revealed a distinct banana-shape in the lower third as it was hauled from the deck. About

The cause of the accident was the failure of a pin inside the windward running backstay block. As White Crusader

rounded the first windward

mark she made a gybo-set and bore away in the left side of the

mast unstayed from the rear, the

mast. Only quick work on the part of the crew avoided the

entire £50,000 mast going inin

After yesterday's injury to Paul Rusheut, a grinder, now

resting with severely brunsed ribs, and the broken spinnaker

pole, it looks as if a jinx has

descended on the Crusader

camp. Cudmore does not see it that way. "This wasn't luck," he said later on the dock as the hnekled \$140,000 (about

£100,000) rig was palled out of White Crusader. "It was a

The pin in the block was too light. It was probably put in and never looked at again. I've got to

investigate properly the reasons "I'm not a great believer in

decisions and if somwhere

decisions and if, somwhere along the line, one of the team makes a decision that isn't good enough you pay the penaity. It's a shame because we were beating Tom quite well. He was quick downwind but we were just plain quicker on the breeze."

Graham Walker, the syndicate chairman, attended an immediate dockside de-briefing

with Cudmore and afterguard Chris Law and Eddie Warden Owen. Angus Metrose, the sail designer, gave technical advice.

lower section could be inserted

into the mast. Walker said that

can have a different effect.

There's now a huge determination."

The fifth new mast in the

development programme arrives from Britain in two weeks.

It will be available for the third

round robin but the team will now be doubly anxious that an

equivalent spare is available. In the other race hit by

damage, Heart of America with-drew from the clash with Eagle after a running backstay winch failed. It was a blow for Buddy

Melges. With only four wins

since racing began a month ago, his crew need a victory and had stayed within 20 seconds of the

revamped Eagle up the five legs

that were completed.

The all-French battle between French Kiss and Challenge France was always one-sided.

When the French bowman Al-

bert Jacobsoon was washed nff the bow by a rogue wave, his yacht was four minutes and 47

seconds ahead. The big guns

won fairly soft races; America II over Canada II, Dennis Conner

against Italia and the Kiwis nver Italia.

New Zealand marched all

into the alloy extrusion.

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Home Office must disclose Bill of Rights case papers

Before Lord Justice May, Lord Justice Purchas and Sir David

[Judgment Navember 5]
Leave 10 apply for judicial review had been properly granted to a prisoner on the basis that the conditions under which he was detained amounted to "cruell and unusuall punishment" contrary to the Bill of Rights 1688.

The Cnurt of Appeal in a reserved judgment, Lord Justice May distantiant

May dissenting, dismissed an appeal by the Secretary of State appear by the Secretary of State for Home Affairs and the Governor of Pentonville Prison from a decision of Mr Justice Hodgson (The Times, May 29, 1986) who granted Alexander William Herbage's application for discovery in judicial review proceedings.

Mr John Laws for the sec-retary of state and the governor, Mr Alan Newman and Mr Delroy Duncan for Mr Herbege. LORD JUSTICE MAY, dissenting, said that the judicial review proceedings, comprised an application for an order of mandamus directed to the Governor of Pentonville Prison and the Home Secretary directing

them to detain the applicant Mr Herbage, the applicant, was the subject of extradition proceedings at the instance of the US Government in respect of a total of 25 charges of obtaining by deception, false accounting and handling stolen

goods.

The Bow Street Magistrate made an order on March 25, 1986 committing the applicant in custody to await the extradition warrant of the secretary of state for his surrender to the

habeas corpus by way of appeal against the magistrate's order against the magnistrate's order was dismissed by a single judge and then by the Court of Appeal on July 30, 1986 (The Times August 6). [A petition to the House of Lords was dismissed on Newsche 6]

The applicant was greatly overweight. He was aged 56 and his condition prevented him from walking upstairs. From August until October 1985 be was held in Winchester Prison. He was then transferred to

entonville Prison. The prison medical authorities at Pentonville directed that having regard to his condition he should be kept in the hospital wing of that establishment. That wing extended to two floors. The ground floor contained offices and accommodation re-

served for prisoners who were mentally disturbed in varying degrees. The quieter patients e housed in cells nearest the dministration offices.

The first floor of the hospital

wing housed prisoners who were medically ill and comprised cells, a ward and further offices. two flights of stairs. There was

As the applicant was unable to walk upstairs, the prison governor arranged for him to be accommodated in a cell on the ground floor, near the staff quarters and at the quiestest end of that floor. The applicant complained

that he was constantly subjected throughout the night in shout-ing, screaming and banging from the mentally disturbed inmates and that although he was wholly sane, he was sur-rounded by schizophrenics, mental psychopaths. depressives and other mentally disturbed persons with the re-sult that be found himself unable to sleep. He made other specific complaints about the conditions in which he was

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detained.
The applicant's averall contention was that he was subjected to "cruell and unusuall punishment" contrary in the Bill of Rights. His case was, further, that not

only had there been breaches of that statute, but also that in purporting in carry out their duties under the Prison Rules (SI 1952 and the Prison Rules (SI 1952 and 1953) in breach of the 1964 No 388) in breach of the European Convention on Hu-man Rights (1953) (Cmd 8969) both the secretary of state and the prison governor had been and were acting illegally.

tn those circumstances the applicant abtained leave from Mr Justice Hodgson in more for the arders of mandamus. The substantive proceedings were

on May 22, 1986 (The Times, May 29) the judge granted the applicant's application that the respondents should file a list of documents stating whether they had in had at any time had in their possession, custody or power any medical and/or psychiatric reports concerning the applicant since his remand in custody on August 1, 1985.

Mr Laws argued that the present appeal, although in substance one against the nrder for discovery, was in effect an appeal against the grant of leave in the first place.

His Lordship said that there was no reason why, on an application for discovery in judicial review proceedings and on an appeal against any order made on such an application, it should not be open to the respondent to contend that as a matter of law it had been wrong to grant the original leave and that consequently no order for discovery should be made.

if, on the material then before the judge or the appellate court, and having heard argument inter partes, either came to the conclusion that the review proceedings were miscanceived. then no order for discovery should be made and the respondent should then apply an notice to the judge who originally granted leave asking him

in so far as the proceedings against the prison governor were concerned, the position was clear. In R r Deputy Governor of Camp Hill Prison. Ex parte King [[1985] QB 755], the Court of Appeal held that judicial

Regina v Governor of Pentonville Prison and Another, Ex parte Herbage (No 2)

review would not be gramed to regulate the exercise by a prison governor of his managerial function of governor his own prison. The instant case was a

> In Ex parte King what it was sought to challenge was an adjudication by the deputy governor, in R v Board of Visitors of Hull Prison. Ex parte St Germain ([1979] QB 425) the Court of Appeal had held that an adjudication under the Prison Rules by a board of visitors was subject to judicial review, thus in Ex parte Kine there was subject to judicial review; thus in Ex parte King there was clearly a strong argument available to the appellant that an adjudication by a deputy governor should similarly be subject to judicial review.
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> If a governor's decision on an adjudication on a prisoner was adjudication on a prisoner was

adjudication on a prisoner was not subject in judicial review, then it was clear that neither, for instance, was his decision about

was wrong to grant leave to bring the present judicial review proceedings against the prison

So far as the secretary of state was concerned, the Court of Appeal in Ex parte King pointed out that in appropriate circumstances instances of mismanagement in prisons could be controlled by the courts by way of judicial prisons representations. of judicial review proceed ainst the secretary of state. Lord Justice Lawton held in that case that since the enact-ment of the 1952 Act the secretary of state had had the all rules made under it were

The difficulty in the instant case, however, was that there was no evidence before the court of any act nr omission by the secretary of state or his depart-ment which could be said to be a breach of his duties under the 1952 Act.

It was upon the secretary of that statute imposed the duty of running the prisons and it was not for the court to intervene unless it was shown that by taking some decision or failing to take a decision which he ought to have taken the secretary of state had failed to carry out that duty in accordance with

On the material before the court, leave ought not to have been granted to apply for ju-dicial review of the secretary of

The appeal, however, was not against the original grant of leave but against the order for discovery. In exercising his discretion to order discovery the judge ex hypothesi acted upon an erroneous view of the law and thus it was open to the Court of Appeal to exercise its

review, when beard inter partes-was bound to fail in limine, then clearly discovery was not necessary either for disposing fairly of it or for saving costs.

tion was that the order for discovery should be set aside discovery should be set aside because the besis upon which it was made was that the court primary facts of the applicant's detention, that discovery would be necessary for that investiga-tion, and that a court should not constitute itself a fact-finding

tribunal in that type of matter. That contention was un-acceptable. In the majority of applications for judicial review the underlying facts were agreed, or appeared in documentary form, and the issues for the court were largely, if not cu-tirely, questions of law.

However, although the court's function was supervisory, it might well involve some in-vestigation of the facts of a case.

Further, the power given to the court by Order 53, rule 8(1) together with Order 38, rule 2(3) of the Rules of the Supreme Court to permit cross-examina-tion of the deponents of affida-vits filed in judicial review

proceedings was clearly only consistent with some fact-find-ing role of the court in such proceedings.

It should not be often that that power needed to be exercised, but in the instant case the judge was right that if the merits of the judicial review proceedings and allegations were to be gone into then clearly

Notice of the application had been served on the Treasury Solicitor representing the two respondents and a representative had been present in the server was taken to court. No action was taken to invite the judge to adjourn the application so that the Treasury Solicitor could be heard inter Solicitor could be heard interpartes before granting or refus-

ing leave.

But Mr Laws said that it was npen to him on appeal, and he had been permitted by the court, to argue the full merits of the two grounds advanced for npen to him on appeal, and he had been permitted by the court, ground upon which an applica-tion for judicial review could possibly succeed then it would

be an abuse of the process of the court to apply for discovery and that, therefore, discovery should not have been ordered.

Mr Laws submitted that, in relation to the order sought against the prison governor, the Court of Appeal was bound by

Ex pane St Germain was ensidered in King's case. The

In the present case, although the original application for leave to move for judicial review was directed both to the prison governor and the secretary of state, it had not so far been

that if in a notorious case, as the applicant's case was, it was established that serious breaches of the Bill of Rights were occurring then there was a foundation of an allegation that the secretary of state had failed to perform his duties of supervision imposed generally upon

That would be an issue to be argued inter partes before the judge at first instance rather than as an issue introduced

Prison Rules.
If it was established that prison governor was emily of such conduct it would be an the Rules of the Supreme Court.

and before their Lordships be merely argued King's case.

ports going to the resolution of the matter could not be ignored in limine. If it was established that medical opinion supported applicant's detention was inflicting a "cruell and unusuall punishment" upon him, then the court had power, and ought

If in order to determine whether a case that "crueil and unusuall punishment" had been inflicted was established it was necessary to investigate conflicts of testimony, then, if there were documents which would assist in the resolution of those issues known to be in existence, it was unarguable that they should not be made available to

the first instance but would have, better perhaps, directed his efforts to attacking the order for discovery on the merits which remained a matter of

grounds: namely, first, that he had adopted the wrong procedure having failed in avail himself of the npportunity to challenge the original granting of leave; and, second, as he did not specifically attempt to dispense with the separate incidents of the fill of Rights and because

primary facts of the applicant's detention, his Lordship, like Lord Justice May, found it

unacceptable. SIR DAVID CAIRNS deliv-

No damages tariff

Area Health Authority in assessing damages for loss of earning capacity or handicap on the labour market, it was not permissible to make a conventional award or in apply any formula, tariff or marker de-rived from previously decided cases. Each case was unique and

Page v Enfield and Haringey no assistance could be derived save in the most general sense from the levels of awards made under that head in other cases. The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Purchas, Lord Justice Mustill and Lord Justice Woolf) so stated on November 5 allowing in part the defendant's

Further, he submitted that that case established that judicial review was not available where the complaint concerned a breach of the Prison Rules or a misconstruction or misapplica

was subject to judicial review.

A complaint, therefore, relat-ing to an alleged breach of the Prison Rules had, in the first instance, to be made to the considered upon complaint to the board of visitors. It was only at that stage that the courts would assume powers of review.

However, the instant case was not restricted to alleged breaches of the Prison Rules and was clearly distinguishable from

administrative duties by the minister under section 4(2) of the Prison Act if it was established that the minister had failed to perform those statutory duties or used his statutory powers unlawfully.

detected from the evidence any specific aspect in which it was

him by section 4(2).

more or less by a side wind on an appeal in interlocutory The case against the prison

governor was not based merely upon breaches of the Prison Rules but upon an alleged breach of the provision of the Bill of Rights, namely that the applicant was entitled not to be inflicted with "cruell and unusuall punishment". That was a fundamental right which went far beyond the ambit of the Prison Rules.

affront to common sense that the court should not be able to afford relief under Order 53 of There were unusual features

vestigation. Mr Laws did not appear to have condescended to refer to them before the judge The existence of medical re-

the contention that the to intervene. Certainly leave for a proper investigation should be

The course adopted by Mr Laws acknowledged the existence of such documents other-wise he would not have restricted his argument to attacking the granting of leave in

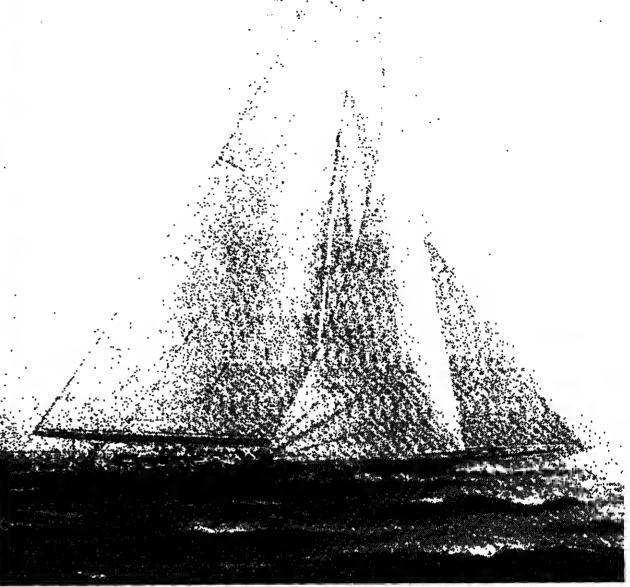
LORD JUSTICE PURCHAS said that he had reached a different conclusion on the grant of leave to apply for judicial review. evidence as to the effect upon the applicant of the conditions

to argue the full merits of the two grounds advanced for whether or not such leave should have been granted.

He submitted that if, as a matter of law, there was no discovery should be set aside. because the basis upon which it was made was that the court would have 10 investigate the

ered a judgment concurring with Lord Justice Purchas. Ex parte King as the applicant's Solicitors: Treasury Solicitors: Shone & Barker, Stepney. Solicitors: Treasury Solicitor,

The \$900,000 tournament pits four teams, each comprising competition. The fourth day will see a championship decider between the inp two teams in the points



Tommy Sopwith's Endeavour almost colliding with the American defender Rainbow in the 1934 America's Cup. It gave rise to the first protest in the event but was not allowed because it was ruled out of time (the protest flag was hoisted late). The incident gave rise to the headline: "Britain rules the waves - America waives the rules" (Painting: Tim Thompson)

Riding the waves of greed and power at the America's Cup

America's Cup correspondent in Perth, provides the clearest insight yet into the men and money being thrown into the challenge of winning the Cup in '87 - The Inside Story (Michael

Joseph, £12.95). The five mouth long event is fast turning into a soap opera of Dynasty proportions. Two han-Dynasty proportions. Two handred million dollars have been invested in the boats alone but the rewards for the winning country run into billions and syndicate bosses are pulling no

RESULTS Chaitenger elimination Second round, Sith day subject to protest: Eagle (US), 3hr 17min 29sec, bt Heart of America (US), natiod. New Zestand, 3:12:16, bt Azzum (II). 2:17:37. America II, 3:11:27, bt Canada II, 3:15:08. Franch Kiss, 3:18:05, bt Challenge Franca, 3:20:06. USA, 3:17:26, bt White Crusader (GE), retired. retried. Stars and Stripes (US), 3:09:38, bt tisle, 3:14:53. TABLE

French Kiss New Zealand marched all over Azzurra, gaining an average of 50 seconds on each leg. Although quick enough in light breezes the Italian boat really has oo chance in the sort of 20 knots-phis winds that are starting to predominate here. TODAY'S RACES White Crusader v New Zealand; Canada II v USA; Eagle v Stars and Strates: Azzum v Chullenge: France; French Kles v Heart of America iI v Italia. If Freuenttle is anything to go by, prices will increase by a factor of 10. According to Wheatley, a house fetching 5100

Whentley, a house tetching 5100 a week rest a year ago is now priced at \$1,000 after agents took out advertisements in local newspapers asking "Landlords, are you getting enough?"

The apogee of unrealistic greed that has now leeched into every corner of the America's Cup scene was reached when Bruno Trouble, the French representative of Louis Valtion, sponsor of the challenge series, was offered a totally undistin-guished apartment for \$300,000. guished spartment for asyutous. The former America's Csp and normer America's Cap helusaman assumed the owner was trying to sell him the property. When it was explained to him this was the proposed rent per mouth, he exploded with rage and the story appeared in newspapers across the world, With profiteering on this scale, is it any wonder Anstra-

scale, is it any wonder Austra-lian authorities now predict a 40 per cent drop in tourists from their own eastern states? Paintings of The America's Cap 1851-1987 by Tim Thomp-son, Written by Ranulf Rayner. (David & Charles, £30).

The idea of commis paintings depicting a famous scene from each America's Cup challenge cause to Ranulf Rayner in the bath. But the

By William Stephens

punches in their efforts to sideline the opposition.

What would happen to Torquay, if Britain's White Horse Challenge get their bands on the Cop and choose to stage the Torques in Torques.

Week in 1983. Taking a facey to une on display in the window, he was politely told it had already been sold. He then pointed to too had been reserved, the exasperated media millionaire burst out "What is this — a bloody charity. These pictures are too dammed cheap. I'm going up the street and when I come back I want to see these prices doubled."

When he did return. Turner found the exhibition sold out so he promptly commissioned the artist to produce 24 paintings. Rayner, who was promoting Thompson's work, tonk Turner's advice to heart, commissioning the artist to paint a famous scene from every America's Cup match, including the final round of this current

The first 26 have become the hasis of their book providing a beautifully illustrated history of this sporting event and buyers can obtain the 27th plate from the publishers after the Cup has

heen won.

And of the paintings themselves? They are now on view at the newly-formed Crusader Yacht Club in Fremantle with a price tag Ted Turner would approve of - £250,000 for the

12-Metre Images by Bob

HOCKEY

12-metre class yachts have and maintain in racing condition and move through the water at a pairry maximum of 10 knots — in an age when even sailboard sailors are pushing towards the 40 knot barrier. Yet the beauty

of 12-metre yachts is numistak-able, and once involved, they become an obsession.

One who admits in have been badly bitten is yachting correspondent Bob Fisher. He has been following the America's Cup scene with the dedication of a disciple since Alan Bond, of Australia, gained his first grey hairs challenging his first grey name to be for the Cup back in 1974.

Using his wealth of historical motes, reminiscences and pictures, reminiscences are presented.

notes, reminiscences and tures, Fisher provides a pers insight into this rarified world in an aptly titled book 12-Metre secrecy and the racing. An ideal introduction for those who have yet to be bitten by the bug. From Newport to (Nautical Books, £15.95).

Written as an introduction to the current America's Cup, this glossy collee-table book paints the scene in Fremancic, provid ing an insight into the key players and their boats compet-ing in the challenge and defence

Barry Pickthall

GOLF Victorious first round for European team

age wins, against Rodger Davis (70) and David Graham (73) respectively, with Payne Stewart (69) accounting for the fifth point through a draw with Brian

The British Open champion, Greg Norman, Graham Marsh and Ian Baker-Finch won outright for the ali-Australian team. Marsh and Baker-Finch took a share of the individual event lead with Sunoo and Japan's Koichi Suzuki on five-underpar 67.

six leading players on the Euro-peao, US. Japan and Australia/New Zealand toms, playing against each other in three days of round-robin

Tokyo (Reuter) — Bernhard Langer's European team, losing finalists in the inaugural Professional Golfers' Association (PGA) Cup last year, made amends with three wins and a draw against the Japanese PGA team to prevail 7-5 here yesterday.

The United States' defence of the PGA Cup, which they won in Kapalua, Hawaii, got off in an inauspicious start when they wen' down 7-5 in the Australia/New Zealand team.

Only Hal Sutton (67) and John Mahaffey (68) could manage wins, against Rodger Davis (77), and David Graham (73). PROTVIDUAL EVENT: 57: G Marsh (Aus.). N. Suzuki (Lepan). 1 Beker-Finch (Aus.). N. Sutton (US). 88: 8 Lunger (WG). S. Nakejima (Lepan). J Mahatifey (US). N. Faldo (GS). A Lyle (GS). G Norman (Aus). 95: 8 Jones (Aus). N. Ozaki (Japan). R. Twey (US). P Stewart (US). I Woosham (GS). 79: R. Devis (Aus). O Pohl (US). H. Cierk (GS). 71: M. Ozaki (Japan). 72: C Peele (US). N. Yuhara (Japan). G. J. Brand (GS). 72: D Graham (Aus). 74: T. Czaki (Japan).

Moore leads

Australia (Reuter) - The former Australian amateur champion. Ossie Moore, revelled in calm early morning conditions vesterday in take the lead to the apening round of the Victorian PGA Championship io Warrnambool Moore scorched round the normally windswept coastal

Warmambool course for a

seven-under-par 65 to hold a

two-stroke advantage over

Wayne Smith.

The public schools old boys competition for the Noel Bruce Cup, which begins tomorrow at Queen's Club, has attracted one of the highest entries for many years — 47 pairs — including, most unusually, pairs from three schools without rackets courts: Milfield (Jamie Robertson and Erancie Williams), Portsmouth

Francis Williams), Portsmouth (the brothers Nick and Paul Danby) and Shrewsbury (Dud-ley MacDonald and Barry First seeds are the bolders, Harrow I: John Prenn and Charles Hue Williams. They are seeded to meet Eton I (William Boone and Tom Pugh), who were winners in 1984 Seeded third are Radley I (James Male and Julian Snow), the 1982 public school champions. Fourth seeds are Malvern I (Mark and Paul Nicholls), the

1974 schools champions Tunbridge have two seeds. Richard Gracey and Martin Smith (5) and Junathan Spurling and Rupert Owen-Brown (8). Mariborough 1 are seeded sixth with Christopher, Worlidge and Matthew Mockridge.

An important competition designed to take top-class competitive rackets into courts at the schools - the invitation doubles sponsored by Celestion to spoil their unbeaten record Open met loudspeakers - begins tonight. and Leicestershire (Midlands 15 and 16.

RACKETS Two leaders could be Three new challenged by a third **Old Boys**

the three moral champions with Shropshire, which put will emerge, weather permitting, them a point drawn. Matches will emerge, weather permitting. Tomorrow and Sunday there will be 49 matches at eight centres. In the South seven counties play three matches at a time, so to date not all the

counties have played the same number of games.

There appear to be two distinct leaders: Berkshire, who have had three good wins, scoring eight goals with none against, and Middlesex, the national champions, with two wins, having scored seven goals underestimated. They drew against one. There could be with Lancashire Central League competition from Buckingham and Yorkshire have not yet shire and Berkshire have to wait until November 22 to play

The East started only last Sunday, so there is little to compare as yet, though Huntingdonshire demonstrated their ability when they beat Lincolnshire 5-1. One of the tightest matches, Essex against Kent, ended in a 1-1 draw, so anything could happen in the future. Their matches are at Essex University in Colchester.
All nine Midlands teams have

Middlesex.

played three or four of their seven matches and so far Bedfordshire have the best results, four wins with 12 goals for and three against.

Warwickshire surprised Staffordshire, beating them 1-0

After three more weekends champioos) had a goalless draw

tomorrow are at Abbey Park.
Leicester and on Sunday at Sir
Christopher Hatton School,
Wellingborough and Lilleshall.
The North counties have each
played three times and Lancashire and Yorkshire are oeck and neck. Each has three wins but Lancashire are just up an goals. They have scored 10 against two, whereas Yorkshire have nine against three. However, Cheshire should not be underestimated. They drew played them. The Narib

Manchester, and Hyndburn. The West, like the East, have played only one match but Devon and Avon are used to scoring. Devon bear Somerset 7l and Avon beat Dorset 6-1 and they play one another on Sunday. All the West matches are at the Dorcan Sports Centre. Covingham. Swindon tomorrow and Sunday:

Record attempt

Britain's Adrian Moorhouse beat the one minute barrier in the 100 metres breaststroke when he takes on the West Germans, Rolf Beab and Bert Boebel, at the Cumbernauld Open meeting on November 14,

Fudge Delight to make fitness tell against Hennessy entries

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

With one eye upoo the Hennessy Gold Cup. it should prove most informative 10 watch the Allied Dunbar Handicap Chase at Cheltenham today. Charter Party. Pluoderiog and The Langholm Dyer are all still engaged in the famous handicap chase at Newbury in 15 days' time and this will be their warm-up for it.

Twelve months ago thought that Charter Party would wio the Hennessy following a heartening first run at Wincanton. Like his trainer. David Nicholson, I now concede that, in hindsight, he would never have beaten the runaway winner, Galway Blaze. However, we both remain coovioced that he would have finished in the first three had he not fallen four fences from home when still going conspicuously well.
After telling me yesterday

should be better this season both the third, Fitzherbert, following an operation in the spring, Nicholson went on to have won. say that he will still be a little surprised if he manages to win this afternoon, simply because he is a gross horse and has always occided a race to bring him to peak fitness after a summer out to grass.

Charter Party ended last season in a blaze of glory at Cheltenham by winning the Ritz Club Chase at the National Hunt Festival and the Golden Miller Chase. In this instance, though, I cannot belp but wonder whether he will be able to concede two stone to Fudge Delight, who will be as hard as nails following that win at Worcester last mooth.

At Worcester, Fudge De-light gave Eton Rouge 4lb and beat him by a neck. Now they will be carrying the same weight. In the meantime, the After telling me yesterday form of their race has stood up that Charter Party's breathing well under scrutiny because

Good ground will help the Whithread winner, Plundering, oo his seasonal debut but the fact still remains that he was beaten 20 lengths by Charter Party here io the spring. And they meet now on the same terms.

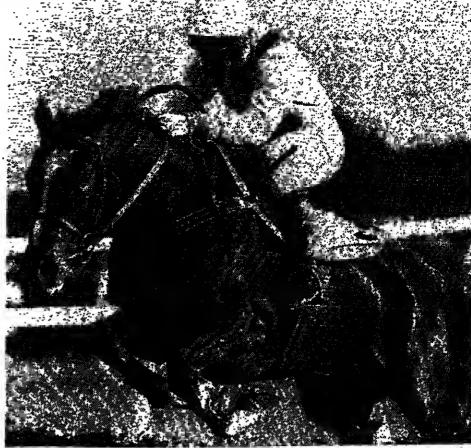
No matter how Charter Party fares. Nicholson and his young jockey, Richard Dunwoody, still look the combination to follow in the John Seyfried Mickleton Chase with French Union, who appeals as the day's banker following that runaway wio at Worcester.

Also a winner at Chepstow and Newbury last season, French Union is a fluent jumper of fences on good ground and I doubt very much whether either Music Be Magic or Captain Dawn will be able to give him this amount of weight.

At Doncaster, I have no intention of deserting my Cesarewitch fancy, Misrule, even though he will be meeting both Accuracy and Path's Sister on rather worse terms than he did at Newmarket where they eventually finished third, fourth aod fifth respectively.

To say that things did oot exactly go according to plan for Misrule in the Newmarket stamina test would be an uoderstatement. The nearest he got to winning was passing the line and afterwards his connections had a tail of woe to tell. With Willie Carsoo in the saddle this time. Misrule has a good chance of compensating them for those

Carson should complete a double oo Queen Helen in the Royal British Legion Stakes. Last time out my selection ran the race of her life at Newbury where she finished third to Jupiter Island and Verd-Antique in the St Simoo Stakes.



Astral (Dale McKeown) clears the last flight in fine style on his way to an impressi success over hardles at Kempton Park yesterday (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

Smyth adds another string to bill string to his bow

Ron Smyth unveiled another nart juvenile prospect at Kempton Park yesterday when Astral, a winner on the Flat for Paul Cole, won the Sprig Three-Year-Old Novices Hurdle by 12

lengths from Spring Flight.
On Wednesday, the Epsom trainer took the juvenile hurdle at Newbury with the 10-length winner. Problem Child, but on yesterday's performance Astral may not be far behind. Smyth refused to be drawn

into comparisons between As-tral and Problem Child, but said: "We'll know soon enough

Plumpton on Monday."
Ballymullish, who won three point-to-points in Ireland and had some fair form in hunter charts last season outsiesed. chases last season, outclassed his three opponents in the Standard Life Novices Chase. Jumping impeccably, he had established a 10-length lead before the home turn and at the line had doubled that advantage. Josh Gifford, the trainer of Ballymullish, completed a short-prized double when Yeoman Broker fulfilled the promise he had shown less season with a 15-leagth success in the with a 15-length success in the Vauxhall Novices Hurdle.

CHELTENHAM

Selections By Mandarin

1.00 Fifty Bucks.

2.45 FRENCH UNION (nap).

Michael Seely's selection: 3.55 Saffron Lord.

Guide to our in-line racecard 103 (12) 0-9432 TIMESFORM (CD,SF) (Mrs. J Ryley) B Hall 9-10-0 Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Stx-figure and distance winner. BF-besten tevourite in latest form (F-tell. P-pulled up. U-unseated rider. 8-brought down. S-slipped up. R-refused). Horse's weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times name (B-binkers. V-visor. H-hood. E-Eyeshied. Private Hendicapper's rating. Approximate starting price.

Going: good to firm

1.0 COLN VALLEY FISH & GAME COMPANY RIDERS NOVICE CHASE (Amateurs: £3,312: 3m) (9 runners)

101	11	MRS FRISK (D) (Mrs H Duffey) K Balley 7-12-5 T Thomson Jones		FB-4
102	OFOF4-2	FIFTY SUCKS (E Wheetley) Mrs M. Rimel 0-11-7		94
103		HINTER CITY (H Handel) H Handel 6-11-7		4-1
104	P-07042	JAPLING (J O Thomas) J O Thomas 8-11-7	81	16-1
105	4/0100-F	KINGSWICK (Shot UK Ltd) J Francome 8-11-7	_	8-1
107	0/0F-04U	LORD GREENFIELD (R Falers) O O'Nell 6-11-7	86	_
		MR BUN (J Grahem) E Whoeler 0-11-7	80	_
109	FP20-00	ROUGH ESTIMATE (V Bishop) V Bishop 10-11-7	25	_
110	P-F20P	CLIONDA (J Trapp) J Trapp 5-11-0	_	_
	1	985: GOLD MEASURE 8-12-5 T Thomson Jones [10-11 tav) J Spearing 5 ran		

FORM The front-rustning MM FRISK (11-7) beat Mosey Cones [11-7) 71 in a 3-rustner event at Carlisk (Sm. 5320, firm, Sept 29). FETTY BUCKS should improve at this trip on 7/2nd (10-12) to John Sovenugnty (10-12) at Utboseter (2m. £1858, good to firm, Oct 23, 10 ran), MRITER CITY (11-3) 23/2 2nd of 12 k Midmight Madness (11-3) at Newton Abbut (5m 2/100yds, 12318, good to firm, Oct 14). JAPLING (10-12) has Rouss (10-12) tailed-off behind when 1/2nd to Master Ben (16-12) at Strattord (3m 2/, 22055 and 0.18 8 cm).

1.35 GLOUCESTERSHIRE ST JOHN & RED CROSS CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS

201	10F/03-0	DESERT HERO (CD) (W Ponsonby) F Walvyn 12-11-13 I Shoemark	98	7	
202	2102F1-	PREDOMINATE (D) (501 Club Racing Group) O Sherwood 5-11-10 R Boucher	54	17.	
203	1012-00	HASTY GAMERLE (D) (L. Cornel) F Winter 6-11-3	94	F2	
		COLONEL JAMES (D D'Callaghan) Mrs S Oliver 4-11-1	- 29	7.	
213	900-0P0	WARRLY (D) (A Price) P Arthur 8-10-2.	_	-	
216	0-22034	ZACCIO (R Clarke) S Dow 6-10-0	97	12	•
219	00301-0	GALTRIM (BF) (J O'Hanion) T Bit 7-10-0	79	9	4
		FULL OF LOVE (D) (W Lee) MAS A Lee 7-10-0	82	-	
		1985: CORAL LEISURE 8-11-0 R Guest (11-1) G Belding 7 ran			

FORM DESERT HERO (11-11) is lightly reced, and was seen at his best in 1983/84 when beating Con Glovanni (10-10) 15i over course and distance (1625, good, Apr 12, 9 ran). PREDOMINATE (10-11) was an easier winder then the 44 margin suggested when beating See Pennant (10-2) at Wordester (2m. 22442, resay, and 22, 3 fam, mast Y camerat, even a inquisit and water least season, we can be in a 116-13) 4XI 5th to Skip Ity (10-3) at Assoct (2m 44, 22348, firm, Oct 29, 16 run) with with RRILY (9-12) westerning into 9th COLONEL, JAMES blundered sway his chance at Chepstow lest time, Decent efforts in 1965/86 include 170-12/g 87 klength 5th to My Dominion (10-9) at Newbory (2m 100/de, 210254, good, May 22, 23 rays), ZACCIO (10-9) boked a little one peced 8%1 behind Black Sheep (10-0) at Wincanton last time (2m, £1352, good, Oct 30, 4 ran). Selection: COLONEL JAMES

2.10 PHILIP-CORNES NOVICE HURDLE (Qualifier: £1,626: 3m 1f) (14 runners)

302	P	BALLYVODOCK (R Howells) R Howells 8-11-0 Mira L Sheedy		_
304	0000P-	BIGSUM (J. Horn) O Nicholson 5-11-0	-	-
305	2	BONANZA BOY (Mrs J Deberham) P Hobbs 5-11-0 Peter Hobbs	87	7-2
306		BRAVE ADMIRAL (R Tooth) N Henderson 6-11-0 \$ Smith Eccles	_	8-1
307	490-300	CAN'T DISCLOSE (B) (Mrs. J Fountain) S Dow 0-11-0	70	_
306		CORNESH MENER (T J Price) T J Price 7-11-0 G Onvies	94	6-1
309		DELATOR (P Brewer) Wardle 9-11-0	75	12-1
316		EN GOUNASI THEON (Mrs M Snow) G Doldge 5-11-0	_	-
312	0-000	KENG'S SLAVE (NV Harmson-Allan) G Dokton 5-11-0	_	_
314		LET HIM BY (T Painting) D Nicholson 0-11-0	_	_
315	0/32440-	MISSING MAN (Mrs L Simpson) J Gifford 6-11-0	96	41
316		MOURIT OLIVER (D Smith) M Scudemore 8-11-0 P Scudemore	70	10-1
321		WARNER'S END (Lady Lyell) J Webber 5-17-0 G Memoch	_	-
323	220004-	CORBITT COINS (Mrs J Corbett) F Walwyn 0-10-9 K Mocony	• 25	F3-1
		1965: THE DUISE 6-11-0 C Mann 15-2 C Holmes 8 ran		

FORM BONANZA BOY a N.H.Flat race winner here in October made an encouraging hurdles debut (11-0) when a head 2nd to Powerless (11-0) at Chepstow (2m. £1348, good to soft, Nov 1, 22 ran). CORNISH MINER (11-2) 8 2nd to Peacettal Member (11-5) at Chepstow (2m. 4f, £1432, firm, Oct 4, 6 ran). DELATOR (10-6) has reverted to hurdles in the last two outings, the most notable are a 16 3rd to Pazz Toro (10-9) at Nowton Abbot (3m. 2f. 110yds, £2098, firm, Sept 11, 7 ran). LET HAR BY (11-0) was %13rd to Sir's At The Gin (11-3) in a Folkestore N.H.Flat race (2m. £265, firm, May 13, 17 ran). MISSING MAN (11-0) will find this trip to problem judged on a good 13 4th to 16 Pee's Peek (11-5) at Newtony lest seeson (3m. £209ds, £7646, good, Mar 22, 16 ran) with CORBITT CORNS (10-9) 3%1 further back in 6th. Subsequently CORBITT CORNS (11-5) was 1441 4th to Mira Mack (11-9) over a trip too short here (2m.4f, £2430, heavy, Apr 17, 23 ran). Selection: MISSING MAN

2.45 JOHN SEYFRIED MICKLETON HANDICAP CHASE (£4,409: 2m) (5

	TO INTO			
401	111FP-U	MUSIC BE MAGIC (BF) (N Mason) G Richards 7-11-10 P Teck	90	5-2
402	4-11113	CAPTAIN DAWN (CD.BF) (P Hopkins) J Gittord 16-11-7 R Rowe	10	4-1
406	34-3322	RIVERS EDGE (D) (D) Knights) Denys Smith 8-10-3	94	8-1
		FRENCH UNION (D) (Mrs & Smeth) O Nicholson 8-10-3 (Sex)	. 25	F7-4
			95	
		1985: PETER ANTHONY 7-10-0 J Bryan (5-2) R Hickman 4 ran		

FORM CAPTARI DAWN'S winning run came to an end at Ascot less week (Zm). Previously he had completed a 4-timer with a 2 defeat (16-12) of Rivers EDGE (10-6) here (2m, 53844, firm, Oct 8, 6 ran). PRENCH UNION (11-13) beat Chesanut Prince (10-0) at Wordester by 19 (2m, 51805, good, Oct 23, 9 ran). PRENCH UNION (11-13) beat Chesanut Prince (10-0) at Wordester by 19 (2m, 51805, good, Oct 23, 9 ran). The Chesanut Prince (10-0) at Wordester by 19 (2m, 51805, good, Oct 23, 9 ran). Word a race since the 1984/85 season. MUSIC BE MARIC won two novice chasses here last season and (11-11) beat Charcost Wally (11-8) 1/4 at Doncaster (2m 150yds, 57001, good to firm, Dec 14, 9 ran).

Selec	tion: FRE	NCH UNION		
3.20	ALLIED	-DUNBAR HANDICAP CHASE (£4,331: 3m) (6 runners)	BBC.2)
508 505 506	040F21- 2F1F02- F10F0-1 0312/2F-	CHARTER PARTY (C.D) (Mrs J Mould) 0 Nicholson 8-12-0	85 84 1 97 1	9 6 11
		1985; ELMBOY 7-11-1 G Memegh (3-1) W Mawie 5 ran		

FORM CHARTER PARTY (10-10) showed improved form here to beet PLINDERING (11-0) 20 (Sm. 21, 28544, heavy, Apr 16, 8 ran), PLINDERING (10-6) went on to win the Winderland Gold Cup at Sandown in a photo-firsh with Buckbe (10-7) (3m. 56). THE LANGUROUS DYER (11-3) 11/2 and to Staarsby (11-6) at Antree (3m. 11. 50:33, good, Apr 3, 11 ran), PUDGE DELIGHT (11-3) was a table there but (10-6) put in a good round and held off ETON ROUGE (10-5) by a reck on reappearance at Worcester (3m. 23215, good, Oct 25, 7 ran), DON SABREUR pulled up on his final start, but had made his seesonal debut in this race, firestring 3L 2nd (16-1) to Emboy (11-4) (X185, firm, Nov 6, 8 ran).

Selection: CHARTER PARTY

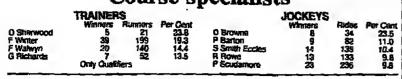
3.55 BRITISH BEEF COMPANY HURDLE (£3,002: 2m) (6 runners) BBC 2 96 F7-4 92 8-1 121-141 SAFFRON LORD (CD) (A Hum) L Kennerd 4-11-5.

FORM SAFFRON LORD (11-3) confirmed his well being with a fit win over Tingle Bell [10-12] at Newbury (2m 100yds, £3915, good, Oct 24, 8 rant) with YALE (11-0) another 51 back in 3rd, PALA CHSEF (10-7) did his chance no good when histing the last at Worcester and finished 71 behind Stoyprarge (10-12) with PARANG [10-12] another 11 back in 3rd (2m 2t, £3129, good, Oct 25, 23 rant, MERRY JANE (11-7) was a eightly below par 14/5/4 4th to Patrick's Fair (10-0) at Benger fast time (2m, £1678, good, May 17, 14 rant, TARTAN TALOR [11-5] 8 Utbooster winner from Keynes (10-12) on latest run and is Geerly on the upgrade (2m, £695, good, Oct 23, 16 rant).

Selection: SAFFRON LORD

1985: (4-Y-O) NOHALMOUN 11-5 J J O'Neil (4-6 fav) M H Easterby 3 ren

Course specialists



Devon and Exeter will stage their first listed race on Tuesday — the £7.500 added Plymouth Gin Haldon Gold Cup. Entries for the race include Admiral's Cup, Bickleigh Bridge and Oregon Trail. The going at the West Country course at present

· Corals report substantial support for Alarm Call for tomorrow's November Handicap at Doncaster and have shortened the price of David Morley's three-year-old from 33-1 to 20-1. Alarm Call was an impressive winner over tomorrow's course and distance at the last meeting. Exceptional Beauty remains the 10-1 favourite.

Masterplan completes double and repays debt to Morshead

but the combination never looked like faltering and from the second last forged into a 12-

Rogairio's trainer, Peter Bai-ley, said: "He has been very well at home but was under a cloud

last year like all my horses and you can never be sure until they have had a run. He is a smashing old horse. I'm very fond of him

and he has always got on well with Sam Morshead.

"Rogairio kept gargling last year so he had the soft palate

operation during the summer. He has got one strange-looking

joint and is usually lame for a formight after a race."

length lead.

Sam Morshead, whose career was almost ended after a bad fall was annust enter a near a lead rall from Masterplan at Warwick 12 months ago, completed a 545-1 double oo the same horse at Stratford yesterday. Masterplan, a 20-1 chance, made virtually all the running in the De Vere Hotels Novices' Chase and was the only one of the 11 runners

not to put a foot wrong.

Morshead was badly concussed when Masterplan slipped up between hurdles in a race st Warwick on November 28 last year and suffered headaches for months afterwards. Morshead, who has now ridden nine winoers this seasoo, said:

Masterplan has schooled well
at home and he jumped

at home and he jumped beautifully."
Masterplan's trainer, Pam Sykes, said: "I think the horse owed Sam that one. Masterplan also missed most of last season. He knocked a leg at Warwick which kept him off for a long time and then got the virus. I'd like to run him now in the Fred Rimell Memorial Chase at Rimell Memorial Chase at Worcester.

Steve Smith Eccles performed miracles to keep Broken Wing in the race, but the horse had no more to give on the flat and just lost second place to Stars and Stripes, costing Smith Eccles a £125 fine for not riding out.

Kempton results

50 Shotery (6th), 11 ran, sh thi, 154, 104, 301, 6ts. O Nicholson at Slow on the Wold. Tota: £4.20; £1.40, £1.60, £1.10, DF: £35,90, CSF: £25.36. Tricest £72.56.

235.90, CSF: 225.30. Incost: 2/2.50.
1,30 (2m hole) 1, ASTRAL (Daie McKacum, 14-1); 2, Spring Filiphi (T. Jarva, 7-1); 3, Administrating (P. Scutzmann, 5-5 tan), ALSO (RAN: B-4 Bround Opel (up), 25 Dragouara Boy (5th), Crammang, 50 Quanturibash (up), Turn For Th Helster, 48th, Floresmus, Nautical Step (8th), Cur Sedala (pu), 11 ran. 12, 17, 15, 3, dist. R Smyth at Epsom. Tota: 275.40; 22.50, 21.20, 21.20, 07: 258.90. CSF: 259.31.

2.0 (Sm ch) 1, BALLYMMILISH (E Murphy, 10-11 lav); 2, Wichael Unche (P Scudenore, 2-1); 3, Spartan Orient (S McNell, 4-1), ALSO FANK 33 Spay Hawk (pu), 4 ran. 20, SL J Gifford at Pindon. Toke 51.80. DF: 52.10. CSF: 52.54.

Tole: S1.80. DF: S2.10. GSF: S2.94.
2.30 (2m ct) 1, EVENING SCNIG (Nr P
Townsley. 10-1); 2, Brhanstone Lady (P
Scutamora, 11-8 lav); 3, Woodlead View (C Menn, 9-1). ALSC BAN: \$2-Princese is (4th); 5 Saitor Moss (pu), 8 Miss Mains (f), 20 Hopeful Chimes (5th), 33 Armsch Glow, Cale Bell, Korimoor Demond pu), Major Symphony (5th), 11 ran. Nrt. Baltic Cal. 114, 61, %1, 30, 15, Miss P Townsley at Dorlang, Totas 210.20; 52.40, 51.50, 21.50. DF: 59.20. GSF: 52.382.

NR: Mount Bolus. 251, 281, 31, 31, 31, 31 Sayers at Fordon. Tone: E1.80; 52.10, 52.90, 52.10, DF: E25.90. CSF: \$95.86. Tricast \$943,77. 1.8 (2m 4/ ch) 1, ROUSPETER (W Humphrays, 4-1); 2, Mr Pespook (Samanthia Dunster, 0-1); 3, Professor Patra (I, Harvey, 3-1 Snyl, ALSO FAN: 7-2 Landing Board (un), 8 The Floorlayer (5th), 12 Lotispoprism (pu), 20 Wahnt Worder (4th), 25 Membridge (f), 33 Richmede (un), 2.30 (2m 4) India) 1, YEOMAM BROKER 17: Rowe, 5-4 fav); 2, Buillan Your Lip (R Durwoody, 11-4); 3, Physing Irish (M Perrett, 12-1); A.S.O. RAN: 8 Old Ford Tavern (50h); 5 Mantar Mustand, 14 King's Advocata, 18 Lockret Lad (40h), Paddyouan (ou); 20 Bossorth; Bay, Paddycoup (bu), 20 Bossorth Bey, Surwood, 33 Lord Lucky, Marches, Hayeshi (8th), 13 ran, 151, 15, 61, 151, 21, Gifford at Findon, Tota: 22.90; 51.30, 51.40, 53.50. Dr. 23.50, CSF: 28.01.

illian Jones. Ramadi Dawn, in the frame

in all his five starts last season.

Stratford

Phycepot £49.86.

Going: good.

1.15 (2m India) 1, RAMBADI DAWN (K. Mooray, 7-4 favt; 2, My Son My Son (G. Charles-Jones, 7-1); 5, Rhver Treut (J. Suthern, 50-1); ALSO RAN: 100-50 Bucklow Hill (5th), 7 Grand Celebration, 14 Evary Effort, 20 Carving Knite, 25 Meladodicion (4th), 35 Poets Day (8th), 50 Bellessayle Lad, Barden, General Sprife (pa), Contion Windows, Westh Tower, Missy's Ster, Paddy's Gloss, Valgaria, 17 ran. 4, 71, 54, 5, 274, F. Wellwyn at Lambousti, 7 Poets: 12.40; 21.20, 21.30 210.10, DF: 52.80, CSP: 572.57.

1.45 Can 21 cth 1, ROGARRIO SS 210.10. DF: £2.90. CSP: £12.57.

1.45 (bit 2' ch) 1, ROGARNO (S. Morshead, 25-1); 2, Lard Laterance (S. Strain Ecoles, 6-4 ks/t; 3, Calonal Christy (G. McCourt, 14-1), A.50 RAN-7 A Boy Named Sue (D. African Star (4th), Galesburg (50h), 10 Pythy Mastress (8th), Woodan'd Generator, 25 Princety Led. Secretary General (pul, 50 Mr Mole (D. 11 ran. 12, 171, 174, 25), 1, P. Bethey at Selsbury, Tota: £24.40; £8.20, £7.40, £2.90. DP: £354.0. CSP: £58.42, Tricasty £52.27.

2.15 (2m 57 ch) 1, MASTERPLAN (S Monthead, 20-1); 2. Stars And Stippes (J Prost, 12-1); 3. Straken Wing (S Smith Eccles, 5-2 (May). ALSO RAN: 5-2 (May

Rogairio ioitiated the finally broke the ice in the First Morshead double when making all the running to spring a 25-1 surprise in the Hawkes Bay Trophy. Morshead, putting up 11b overweight on the (O-year-old, had to work hard for victory but the combination never Division of the Southern Cross Novices' Hurdle thanks partly to a change of riding tactics. Kevin Mooney had the 7-4 favourite in front from the start

and soon after halfway he was looking round to see what had happened to the others. The only one able to give any sort of chase in the last half mile was the other grey in the field, My Son My Son, but he was never a threat to the winner.

A 10th penalty still left Severn Sound 71b out of the handicap in the Warmambool Trophy but he stormed in by 21/2 lengths from Just Alick to record his third win in less than three weeks. His owner-trainer, Milsound from a mare that had won him 24 point-to-points, will have the gelding out again in snother week or so.

There was an even bigger num-up in the Archie Scott Memorial Gold Cup when that tough stayer, Aniece, fought off Super Grass to score by 2½ lengths at 33-1. "Aniece was going to go chasing but after this he'll have to stick to hurdling for a hit," said the winning trainer, Gillian longer Cindie Girl, who put 10 lengths between herself and her market rival, Keynes, on the run-in in the second division of the Southern Cross Novices Hurdle, looks a very bright prospect for Stan Mellor, who said: "She jumps really well, stays, loves the game and does everything with her ears pricked. She'll win something decent one day."

2.45 (2m ch) 1, SEVERN SOUND (G Davies, 3-1 inv); 2, Junt Alick (I. Wyer, 4-1E 3. The Weider (R Hydr., 11-2). ALSO RAN: 9.2 Martins Size (Mt). B tritty Jones: (Sth), 10 Chesmut Prince (ur), 20 Part Arctic (Bth), 25 Cedend Jason. Prestinate (pu), 9 m., NP. Armeter's Oethick. 2V.I. 8t. 6t. 5t. 5t. 15 addley at Chepshow. Total 22: Cl. 10. E1.50, E2.50. DF: 27.00. CSF: E1.88. Tricest 252.88.

P13.88. Tricest: 252.88.
3.15 (2m 6) holie 1. AMBECE (J. Suthern, 33-1); 2. Super Grane (G. Landeu, 10-1); 3. Bellywest (S. Earle, 33-1); ALSO RANK 7-2 for Charlotie's Dunce, 5 Croix de Guerre, 8 Wye Laa (Brit), Web Covered, 16 Cotune, Player (4td, 14 Tight Turn (6th), 27 Lady Tut. 25 Cadley House, 33 Regent Leisure (p.), Staffordshire Knot (pu), Corenaght Caeners (p.), 14 nar., 293, 5, 12, 2, nk. Mrs G.E. forms at Upon-On-Sewm. Tota: 21; 20; 28,80, 24,20, 28,80, DP: 297.90. CSP: 2278.51, Tricest: 29.440.52.
3.45 (2m holie) 1, CREDE GER. (M CSP: 2279.51. Tricast: ES.449.52.
3.45 (2m hole) 1, CHURE GIRL (M harrington, 11-8 faur); 2, Kaynous (J White, 5-4); 3, Ludy Killene (A Adams, 50-1).
ALSO RAN: 18 Anist's Apple, 16 Cherose Partner (4th), 20 Broad Wood (6th), Wessex Habit, 50 Gallots Bosquer, Mr Grapefrut (5th), Nothing But, Raiffu, Without, Merpton, Parsisto Princess (pu), Rehutzan (5th, Shaharoba, 18 ran. Nft Watter Sands, 10, S. 41, 121, 11. 5 Mellor at Lambourn. Tota: £2.60; £1.50, £1.20, £1.50, £

Blinkered first time DONCASTER: 2.15 Withy Bank. 2.45 Shennon River. 3.15 Good Natured, Sea Power.

3.0 (2m 41 ride)), BIGEE (P Double, 10-1); 2 Pegrad Bey (H Davies, 10-1); 3, Ene Olley (C Brown, 5-1), ALSO RAN: 5-2 tav Boriestres, 5 Agra Knight (4m), 10 Foot Patrol, Man O'Magic (5th), 12 How Now (pu), 14 Celtic Parme, Mou-Datin (5th), 25 Shardon Way (pu), Dusky Brown, 12 ran. 11 2F3- HAND OVER Mrs M Dickinson 7-11-1 BANGOR Selections By Mandarin

1.0 Honeycroft. 1.30 Bobby Burus. 2.0 Stable Lad. 2.30 Gold Tycoon. 3.0 Splendid Magnolia. 3.30 Itsgottabealright. 4.0 Autumn Sport.

Going: good

1.0 COLIN TURNER PHOTOGRAPHY CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS SELLING HURDLE (£805: 2m) (16 runners) 2 UUI- HARBOUR BAZAAR (D) R Sempson 0-11-7

2 1011- HARBOUR BAZARI (D) N SWITTON (0-11-)

4 2100 FLORI WONDER (D) G ROS 0-11-4 P McCertont

5 3-P0 CHEZARI T Bulgon 5-11-4 P Caldendi

6 90-0 LUCKY NEDRAEL (B) J Cospane 0-11-4 P Caldendi

16 90-0 LUCKY NEDRAEL (B) J Neorgane 5-10-12 Warren

12 90-- HABERI W CITY - 10-12 Cleave Cleave

13 90-F PRIVATE LABEL (V) F H Les 6-10-12 Cleave Cleave

14 97-F RUSTY ROC M W Device 5-10-12 A Price (S)

15 SAUSAGE ROLL M Existe 0-12 Tescy Turner

18 90-2 ETERNAL DANCER G Servett 5-10-7 B Bowling

20 9-90 ETERNAL DANCER G Servett 5-10-7 B Sowdey

21 4-90 HONEYCROFT (BP) R Prost 4-10-7 C Hoppword

23 3 MCKY DAWN J Wison 4-10-7 R Hastield

25 9-90 SECRET SRUIX O McCein 4-10-7 R Hastield

26 9-90 SECRET SRUIX O McCein 4-10-7 R Hastield

27 1 Homsycroft 7-2 Flort Wonder, 4-1 Histiour Sezesz, 5-1

1.30 CHORLTON NOVICE HURDLE (EB27: 2m) (14) 1 1 BOSEY BURNS Mrs M Dictorson 5-11-7 G Bradley 2 0020 DISCOVER GOLD (CD) K Bridgweier 5-11-7

2.0 MOLD HANDICAP CHASE (£1,777: 3m) (8) 1 PPP INTEGRATION (II) F Hote 12-12-7
3 P-33 VALLEY JUSTICE C Treams 6-11-1)
4 2012 NATIVE SPEAK (B,CO) Mrs W Syles 9-11-5

S Morshad

S Morshad 2.30 JONES & SON, AUCTIONEERS NOVICE CHASE (£2,049: 2m 4f) (14)

7 - 048 GONDO R Brown 7-11-1 M Sostey (4) Rasen (5) 8 000- GOLD EXPRESS Mrs 9 Caverport 7-11-1 A Sherpe 9 010- GOLD TYCOON J Spearing 6-11-1 A Sherpe 7 A Webb 7 Address.

13 10-F JUYENILE PRINCE M ONW 6-11-1 16 111- PATRICK'S FAIR R PRIOCK 10-11-1 17 FPPR RUSTY BOY R Les 7-11-1 19 3 WILD ARGOSY T 98 7-11-1 20 91-1 BIT OF ORDER R Fisher 5-11-0 21 FEZS SPARTAN NATIVE A W JONES 8-10-10 11-4 Hand Over, 4-1 Gold Tyccon, Patrick's Fair, 6-1 Bright Sheriff, 7-1 Wild Argory, Ling, 10-1 Spartan Native, 14-1 others. 3.0 TILSTON NOVICE HURDLE (3-Y-O: £685: 2m H) (10)

1 0111 SPLENDID MAGNOLIA M Fibe 11-7

4 2311 HOP PICKER K Morgan 11-2

8 GLYNGERBOR R Francis 10-12

11 BISH PHOLENS J Townson 10-12

12 0 JIMAY RIVER S Wells 10-12

15 0454 ALCOSTERISRAJ J Spearing 10-12

15 2222 STEP ON (BF) H Dule 10-12

16 9 CUPIUS SIZWER (B) A James 10-7

17 0 GOLD SOVERSIGN A Univer 10-7

19 STATFOLD FAM D L Williams 10-7 11-5 Hop Picker, 5-2 Splendid Magnotie, 0-1 Step On, 8-1 Klesterbrau, 16-1 Gold Sovereign, 12-1 others. 3.30 WORTHENBURY HANDICAP CHASE (21,774: 1 02-1 (TSGOTTABEALRIGHT (C,D) Mrs W Syles 8-12-2 10-11 itsgottabeelright, 3-1 Trollena, 5-1 Hope End, 4.0 EBF NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (£1,173: AUTURIN SPORT J Rowards 5-11-8 S McCrystin (7)
BARN BRAE T Barron 4-11-2 Miss J Neary
BOOTHS BOY B Street 5-11-2 D Hood (7)
BOTANY BLADE M AVISON 4-11-2 R Marroy (7)
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 Warwick are to stage a race in memory of Michael Blackmore, who was killed at Market Rasen in May. The race, to be run on December 27. is a 21/2-mile handicap chase for amateur

DONCASTER

Selections

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3.15 Queen Helen. 3.45 Dowsing.

By Our Newmarket 1.15 Knockin' Express. 1.45 Repealed. 2.15 Sweet Alexandra 2.45 Mon Balzar. 3.15 Joli's Girl.

By Michael Seely 2.15 WITHY BANK (nap). 3.15 Queen Heien.

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the game plan evolved by Bamford and the British coach-

ing team. In many respects his brilliam individualism, which

can win matches singlehanded, can be a drawback when team

plans are tightly knit.

Barnford took the news of

Hanley's injury philosophically and practically. "It is far better

and practically. "It is far better; for us to have a player able to give 100 per cent than Hanley able, through no fault of his own, to give only 60 per cent. Marchant is o specialist centre and Barrie Ledger a specialist winger and the threequarter line will at least have perfect balance on paper, with Gary Schofield retaining his best position at right centre".

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RUGBY LEAGUE

The champion who came from nowhere to win the Athlete of the Year award

Black's golden touch puts glamour back into unfashionable event

Chief Sports Correspondent

The 400 metres, or what was once the quarter mile, is slightly a lost event in the annals of track history. Famous runners tend to have been the short sprinters or the middle and long distance men. In public appeal, the and long assumce men, in public appear, and one lap sprint has even become secondary in some people's estimation to the 400 metres hardles, glamorized by figures such as Barghley, Tisdall, Davis, Hemery, Akii-Bua, Schmid and Moses. A 20-year-old British Schmid and Moses. A 20-year-old British

Schmid and Moses. A 20-year-old British rugby enthusiast, and recently retired medical student, may be about the change the pattern. Roger Black, a large, amiable son of a Southampton doctor, would at this moment have been a relatively anonymous trainee at the Bartholomew's Hospital, with a bothersome parallilest worthern interest from a resolution. sacro-iliac vertebra injury from a rugby tackle, had he not ploughed his maths A level two summers ago. Instead, he will tomorrow receive the British Athletics Writers Association award as men's athlete of the year: an almost unanimous recognition of his exceptional potential after a season when Coe, Cram and Thompson, that trie of regular acclaim, also wen European championship gold medals.

Sudden exposure as a national sporting hero

Black has been running seriously for barely two years, and as he sits by the log fire in his parents' home having tea and doughants before an evening training spell, he is still trying to come to terms with the sudden exposure as a national sporting hero. "My life has changed, but it hasn't changed me," he says optimistically. "All that has happened is that other people's reaction to me has

When, with a moving start, he ran his remarkable anchor leg in Stattgart to bring Britain the 4 x 400 gold medal, Coe came ap to him immediately afterwards to show him his hand-timing of 43.9sec and offered him the

than a stride or so off Lee Evans's enduring high altitude world record of an electrical

Five factors suggest that Black may not only surpass Juantorena and Evans but become the first British Olympic winner at 400 since the 1924 victory by Eric Liddell, whose achievement was overshadowed, not least in the film Chariots of Fire, with the subconscious prejudice already mentioned, by Harold Abrahams's short sprint.

The memory which is rooted in Black's mind as much as the unpremeditated array of gold medals is the race in Zurich shortly before Stuttgart. He ran a personal best of 45.0 and came an immentioned seventh. Back home the public did not even know he had run. Never mind the time, the defeat annoyed him.

So, as he proceeds through only the third winter of arduous preparation under the guidance of Mike Smith in a squad which includes rivals and friends Kriss Akabusi and includes rivals and friends Kriss Akabasi and Todd Bennett, those five advantages are: that he is conscious, above all, of winning, that he is not seduced by record hunting, that he regards his inexperience and relative naivety as a bouns of freshness, that he knows he has an academic background to fall back on should be become seriously injured, and that he is free of any pressure from parents or so-cial friends. He doubts if his mother could tell you his Stutteart time. you his Stattgart time.

"Because I've been in the sport only two years, I didn't, and I don't, over-complicate the sport. I just run. Mike Smith is a trainer rather than a coach. He knows that I know what I 've got to do, so that he never says go for this or that. He gets us into superb shape, which must be evident from running five races in five days in Stuttgar I. He wasn't there, but we talked regularly on the phone. He doesn't talk about 'peaks', but he produces them without discussing it. I get a lot of help, in morale, chatting with Kriss. He helped give me the belief that I could win."

A sobering experience was this year's UK Championship, in which Black went off like a und-track hare, lost control, and died after 300 metres. He has not been beaten by a

rain of a dark autumn evening for another session of gymnasium work with Smith, his mind was tuning to the knowledge that next season everyone will be out to beat him.

Much of his training with Smith, therefore is concentrated on relaxation, the mastery of which always eluded the brilliant yet fras-trated Dave Jenkins, the former British record-holder. Black recognizes that, at 20, his peak may be five years away.

His emergence occurred, in fact, indoors Having to retake his maths in the autumn of 1984, having failed for Barts, and with nothing more behind him than conventional success at school sports as a rugby winger—and England's schools trialist—be had a try at 400 and ran 47.8 in Southampton.

Obliged by regulations to use starting blocks

With a year off before now going to Newcastle University, he joined Smith's squad, won the Cosford Games, then an indoor international against Italy, a relay against West Germany (in which it had to be explained by a woman official that he was obliged by regulations to use starting blocks, for the first time), and then the European unior championships, which he won. Out of nowhere, he had arrived.

It made sense to switch, with their acceptance, to Southampton University to be able to train with Smith. It made further

able to train with Smith. It made further sense, after only one term, to abandon medical studies with father's sanction.

"I'm not naturally intelligent" he says. "I have to work hard to pass exams, and I couldn't cope with the demands of medical school and training. For a month or two, with nothing to do in the mornings, it was awind, so I got a part-time job. Before the Commonwealth and European championships, I wasn't sure of what I was. My objective was no more than to run at Edinburgh. Now. I never have than to run at Edinburgh. Now, I never have

The prospects are that we will not be, either.



CRICKET: RICHARDS EARNS VOTE OF CONFIDENCE AS ENGLAND GIVE SLACK HIS LAST CHANCE TO SHINE

French set to lose Test place

waited two-and-a-nair years to make his own. The Nottingham-shire wicketkeeper, aged 27, has been left out of England's team for the four-day match against Western Australia beginning in Perth today. And unless his replacement, Richards, of Surrey, messes up the opportunity, there seems little chance of French playing in next week's first Test at Brisbane.

French is being penalized for his lack of success with the bat and not because of any doubts about his ability behind the stumps. Having chosen a team expected to include four seam bowlers and only one spinner, England believe they need Richards's greater run-scoring potential to stiffen a tail which would otherwise start at number

Freoch finally won his first understudy to Downton io Iodia and West Indies. He played in five Tests, kept wicket superbly, but scored only 43 runs in five nnings. His form with the bat for Nottinehamshire was not sparkling either — 361 at an average of 20. Richards, aged 28, is still uncapped despite touring India with England in 1981. He topped 1,000 runs for Surrey last summer and averaged 40.

could be argued that a middle-order batting line-up at Perth of Gower, Lamb, Gatting and Botham should not need much help. But Gatting, the England captain, said yesterday:
"We felt that if we were going to leave John Emburey out and play four seamers we would have rather a long tail. Jack will make that tail a little shorter." Gatting admitted that the choice of wicketkeeper was discussed at some length as was an opening partner for Broad. Slack finally got the vote over Athey. There were one or two po-sitions which we were con-cerned obout getting right,"

Testing time: Slack (above) needs a big score to clinch a Test place at Brishane next week Gatting said. But he added: "We the deep end against West Indies

are still keeping our options open for the first Test." However, it will be Slack's last chance to clinch a place in the Test side. The demoralized Middlesex player has hit only one run in a first-class match on tour but the England selectors are desperate to find a partner

"Slack came on tour as an opener - be must get his ch He has played in only one first-class game and needs the work," Gatting said. The Test place lies between Slack and Athey, who pressed his claim on Wednesday with a fine 124 against a Western Australia country side in England's 117-run one-day

Stack hit some big scores for the England B team in Sri Lanka in 1985-86. But he was out of his depth when he was thrown in at

carry on playing."
But Glamorgan, who finished hottom of the County Champiooship last season, may

have to act quickly if they want the experienced Stevenson be-

cause the 31-year-old is under-stood to have already attracted

the interest of another county.

Butcher, who has signed from Surrey on a thre-year contract.

Stevenson played for England

what is expected to be a quick wicket. "Dilley needs to get his rhythm back and both need plenty of work," Gatting said. after Gatting was injured on England's last tour. While England batsmen try to tame the double threat posed by

Western Australia will be without their Test wicketkeepe Western Australia's successful left-arm Test pair, Reid and Matthews, their bowlers will be Zochrer, who has been trouble by a knee injury. Zoehrer is confident that he will be fit for up against the Fremantle Doctor. That is what people in these parts call a chill wind which gets up every afternoon and blows the first Test but as a precaotion his understudy Dyer, from New across the WACA ground from the direction of Fremantle on South Wales, has been put oo standby. Zoehrer's place in the Western Australia side goes to to use it to their advantage while others find it a formidab handicap. Why it is dubbed the Doctor is a little unclear. One

popular explanation suggests that anyone who fails to don a Mounty, Distriction, Distriction, Cox.
ENGLAND: a C Broad, W N Stack,
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H Edmonds, G R Dilley, G C Small. sweater on its arrival will prob-Simon Barnes previews the England are likely to give theirpacemeo, Dilley and Somerset showdown, page 14

Spin will torment West Indies again

From Richard Streeton, Lahore

econd Test match starting at the magnificent Gaddafi stathe magmineent caoaan sta-dium here today will be a low scoring game. Surprise, sur-prise, the baked mud pitch is expected to help spinners and to be of little use to fast bowlers. West Indies, unexpectedly 1-0 down in the three-match series, are clearly going to have a struggle to draw level in what

should be a tense, hard fought Test. It will always have a special place in history because two neutral unspires will be in Messrs P D Reporter and V K Ramasee Ramaswamy have ar-rived from India. They watched the two teams practising yesterday as the temperature dropped a little to a mere 88 or

so. It is the first time either man has travelled outside his own country and it is impossible not to feel a little sorry for them. A large proportion of Pakistan cricket opinion continues to see no reasoo for two Indians being preferred to home grown officials. They will be very much under the microscope and their

judgement and commonsense could be tested, if there should be any crowd trouble. remembering the events at That match, I suspect, did hitle to help relationships be-tween the two teams, while crowd misbehaviour has a nasty

habit of escalating in these parts. Yesterday, addinonal barbed wire was placed on top of the nine foot high railings, topped by inwardly curved spikes, around the ground. The Labore police, too, are better drilled, I gather, than their Gujranwala

Imran Khan, the Pakistan captain, has not yet been oble to hold a bat properly because of his damaged finger, the swelling subsiding more slowly than expected. He can bowl, but as he put it: " It could be my batting that will be peeded on this pitch." If Imran decides not to play, Saleem Jaffer, the left-arm bowler, who performed so well at Gujranwala, is expected to be

Pakistan have named 17 players. Ejaz Ahmed, an 18-year-old right-hand batsman, who has has made a wealth of runs recently, including 82 against the West Indians at Rawalpindi, is expected to win his first Test cap in place of Salim Malik whose left arm was broken in the first Test.

Nobody believes the West indies will but as badly again as they did at Faisalabad when they were dismissed for 53 in their second innings. Several of their main run-getters, however, remain unusually short of runs. Though Dujon has now found his feet and Haynes has binter first class matches, has made only 115 runs in six innings on

Richardson has a top score of 67 in his six innings and Gomes, in four innings, has scored 101 runs. The great Richards, evitably, has become a talking point after falling to leg spin for two ducks and 17 in his last three innings. He has not been well recently and I still believe Pakistan are going to suffer soon from his bat.

Several West Indians con tione to struggle with chest infections and stomach upsets and they are not naming their team until shortly before the

PAKISTAN (from): Imran Khan (capt), Javed Miandad, Mudessar Nazer, Mohsin Khan, Qasim Omar, Rame, Reja, Ejaz Ahmed, Abdul Qadir, Salim Yousul, Wasim Akram, Taussel Ahmed, Shoalb Mond, Ast Mujaba, Zakir Khan, Ghaffar Kazmi, Seleem Jaffor and Rizwan Zaman.

WEST INDES (from): I V A Richar (capt) M O Marshell, W K M Benjamin, L Dujon, H A Gomes, A H Gray, C Greeninge, R A Harper, O L Haynes, I Logie, B P Patterson, R a Richardson a

over drug-takers

inve. Until then the identity of the three athletes and their

terday: "The competitors should have the right to come and present their case before we make any punishment. We have sent them a letter but, as yet, we have not received a reply. Under UIPMB rules, a first offender will be banned from competition for 30 mooths. A second offence will result io a Birmingham are believed to

The Union Internationale de depressant drug that helps Pentathlon Moderne et Biathlon steady the arm when shooting.

Danny Nightingale, develop-ment officer of the Modern Pentathlon Association of Great Britain and a team gold medal-list at the 1976 Olympics, said: "We have known that there were some positive tests at Birmingham for some time. The feeling among athletes may be that the powers that run the sport, the international committees, are not clamping down hard enough."

But Henning said: "There have been cases where we have found the competitor is comhis doctor over a period of time He also confirmed that some tests taken at the world championships in Italy during August had also proved

HOCKEY

Olympic search starts

XI at the same venue.

Selection for these events will be made after two training weekends, at Lilleshall from November 28 to 30 and at Crystal Palace from December 12 to 14. A total of 33 players have been invited from England, Wales. Scotland and Northern ireland for the first

SREAT BRITAIN: JUNNOR SOLIAD: J Fees N Thompson, D Camilleri, A Garcia, I Roberts, A Ferns, G Swayne, P Folland, S Towlands, D Roberts, S Hazleri, S Sowilands, N Brown, N Barker, C Mayer, I Resy, R Hill, J Halls B Lawry, A Balson ill Englandy, J Fry, O Hacker, O Machiey, A Mackney, A Colclough, O Colclough Naties; A Nachel, H Cox, C McLeod, S Iamford (Scotland), R Richterdson, G Iamilton, O Gordon (Northern Iraland).

Hanley hospital bound with mixed feelings

It was with a sense of relief, tion. In the first international be mixed with sadness, that Ellery Hanley yesterday ruled himself out of tomorrow's second international against Australia at Elland Road.

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After his trip to a specialist in the Midlands had resulted in the diagnosis of a chipped cartilage in his knee. Hanley said: "While hate the thought of missing the two remaining internationals, I am glad the worrying is over and I know what is wrong. I have not enjoyed my rugby these last few whose Every time I have played for Wigan or Great Britaio the knee has burt and has swelled up. It has even been swollen after I have done training runs. "I am sick at having to miss
the games against Australia, the
pinnacle of my career, but now i
want to have my operation and
get completely fit again. I would
not have wanted to play and let
the lads down".
Hapley mill enter becomes on

Hanley will enter bospital on Sunday and will be inactive for the better part of a month, which rules him out of the third international at Wigan a fort-

night tomorrow.

Maurice Barnford, the Great Britain coach, was already re-signed to losing the services of Hanley, one of the game's great individuals and the leading Rugby League try scorer. Tony Marchant, the Castleford centre moves back to his favourite position of centre, and Barrie Ledger, of St Helens, comes io oo the wing.

Marchant will wear the No.4

jersey in which he made his Great Britain debut and scored a try against France at Wigan last

Strangely, the loss of Hanley will be greeted with mixed feelings rather than total dejec-

out yesterday, the Australians concentration on absorbing Paul Dunn, the front-row forward, and Dale Shearer, the winger. into the tactics which won the first international 38-16 at Old Trafford. Dunn replaces Roach, who was injured against St. Helens, and Shearer replace

the first international.

The Great Britain squad had two long, hrisk training periods yesterday. The first was at their traioing camp at Shaw Hill Country Club at Chorley and the second at the Knowsley Road ground of the St Helens Club. Today the British squad will train at their headquarters. will train at their headquarters and at the Salford ground before they move on to Elland Road for the international Great Britain need to win to avoid losing yet another series to their

SWIMMING

Trust funds have Wilkie's backing

David Wilkie, Britain's winning his silver medal at the

David Wilkie, Britain's olympic gold medallist, has warmly applauded the Amateur Swimming Association's decision to allow trust funds for their international competitors.

"This is the best thing that has happened to British swimming for a long time." Wilkie said. "It will belp to develop the sport in a much needed positive way. Young competitors will be encouraged to stay in the sport longer and that in itself is important because we lose so much good talent for lack of an incentive of this kind."

Wilkie added: "Look what trust funds have done for athlet-

trust funds have done for athlet- ming Federation to decide the ics - Seb Coe, Steve Cram and grants leading competitors are Steve Overt are among the stars to receive from the Minet who have benefited from this Awards for Olympic Excellence form of financial support and being administered by Sports look what a marvellous shop Aid Foundation. window they have provided for

hierics. were giving their support yes-"I am coovinced that fi- terday to the lauoching of the nanced io this way, ooce the "The Arena Splash" scheme shop window of swimming is being promoted at a cost of similarly developed. Britain will £20,000 by Arena, makers of become far richer in Olympic swimwear, to raise funds the their text of their text dent for their sport."

through sponsorship to help the Wilkie, who still has a training British Federation meet the cost talent for their sport."

swim every day, added with a of special Olympic team smile: "This idea of trust funds preparation for the 1988 Games for swimming almost tempts me to make a come-back."

British swimming team to FlorMartyn Woodruffe, who so ida in January for special

narrowly missed a gold when training. **YACHTING**

Debate on floating billboards

By Barry Pickthall

Yachting, once the sole preserve of rich Corinthiaus, is poised for a fiery debate today on sponsorship and proonalism. Commercialism has been creeping up on the sport for several years but it is only this season that the baronly this season that the bar-ricades were over-run when an international jury gave their blessing to names like French Kiss and White Crusader at the start of the America's Cup, despite the subtle links these have with their principle sponsors, the Kis Group in Paris and White Horse Whisky.

This week the battle lines have been drawn at the Inter-national Yacht Racing Union's between the conservative old rules against further incursi terial difference between rich owners who can afford to boy the best boats and equipment talented sailors who persu same for them.

Those fighting for char

today's final meeting of the IYRU's Permanent Committee have powerful allies, not least the US Yacht Racing Union. lobbying hard this week for a three-tier approach that would preserve club racing for anateurs but segregate certain na-tional and international events

for sponsored entrants. Also pressing for change are the 12 Metre Class Association. for almost every America's Cup syndicate have acute fun syndicate have acute funding problems. The greatest cause for concern is the belief that racing yachts will become little more than floating billboards.

Not so, argues Dr Penrose Courtney-Wildman, campaign planning manager at British Airways, who have a £250,000 investment io Britain's America's Cup effort and spon sored Robin Knox-Johnston's assault on the French -dominated offshore multifull scene. Yachting represents a highclass segment of the market and the best woy to present our message is to paint the boat in n

The intention is to send the

defends cup defeat

has broken his silence 14 months after Europe's historic

become a recluse for much of the match, but he puts his side of Sparks. He says: "What was said didn't hurt me. I've played this

to support his team on the course, and Peter Jacobsen felt the Americans would have woo had the European captain Toylor Jacklin led their team. But Trevino insisted: "None of my team said anything to me, but I've read some of the things they wrote. They can say what they want and do what they want as long as they don't put their

"My wife made sure they had all their meals and made all the oul oo the course every day. supplying them with water, fruit and candy bars. I probably spent \$3,000 out of my own pocket. But they didn't perform well and they got the socks beaten off them because they ran into a learn who wanted to win more

team's criticism of the Belfiv galleries, who were alleged to have cheered bad American shots and hissed at players

He added: "I've heard a lot about that too. I told them the crowd would be hissed - that's

personalities on the double album along with Jacklin, Peter Alliss, Alex Hay, and the BBC pair Renton Laidlaw and Joho Fenton. The record was recorded at Woburn in June.

COUNTY CRICKET

Stevenson in demand

Glamorgan are chasing an-other Test cricketer just 24 hours after announcing the capture of the former England opener Alan Butcher. John Steele, the Welsh

county's assistant secretary, confirmed that he had spokeo to the fast bowler Graham Stevenfollowing his release by

"I wanted to find out whether Graham intended to carry on in first class cricket. "Steele said. "I got the impression that he was still getting over the shock of being released by Yorkshire but

"Alan has got a proven record as a batsman and can only strengthen our top order," Steele added. TODAY'S FIXTURES

actives: CIS UK singles championships (at Preston). FOOTBALL TENNIS: LTA women's indoor

RACKETS: Celestion invitation double RACKETS: Constitution matches at Eron, tournament (round robin matches at Eron, Halleybury, Harrow, Radiey, Wellington and Windhester schools). Noel Bruce Cup: his schools old boys implonship (at Queen's).

THE BREEDERS'CUP

John Oaksey reports from California on the \$10 million series and Richard Pitman describes the Breeders Cup Chase.

Today League

Third division

Fourth division

Colchester v Orient

Doncaster R v Gillingham

FA YOUTH CUP: First round: Swindon v Cardiff (7.0).

 Foxford has a day with the North Shropshire. Olympics and professionals: Steve Hadley discusses the unplications for

HORSEMHOUNI

NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL

Buckley is named as Kettering's manager

Alan Buckley, who lost his job as manager of Walsall in the for them and scored more than summer, was yesterday given the task of taking Kenering Town into the Football League. Buckley has signed a two-year contract as manager of the GM Vauxhall Conference club, and will toke charge after tomorrow's match at bome to

medical man.

Cyril Gingell, Kettering's chairman, said: "We are building the club on the basis that we go into the League. Alan does not view the job as moving down a grade but as taking the responsibility for getting Ket-tering into the fourth division.

"The iotroduction this season of automatic promotion into the Foothall League has meant that clubs like ours can attract people of Alan's calibre. We had 21 applications for the job and seven were from people with management League

Buckley, who plans to move into the Kettering area, will be employed on a full-time basis. His predecessor, David Needham, who resigned last month, worked only part-time for the "Alan will have a completely

free rein on the football side and

links with local schools and the

community geocrally,"Mr Buckley, aged 35, began his career at Nottingham Forest before joining Walsall in 1973. Anart from one season with Birmingham City he spent the next 13 years at Fellows Park, the last four as player-manager.

for them and scored more than 170 goals. In the summer, however, he was replaced by Tom Coakley after a boardroom reshuffle.
Kettering, who probably have

as much potential as any club in the Conference, have been steadily rebuilding after finan-cial problems took them to the brink of closure more than once in the early 1980s. Needham resigned after a poor start to the an 8-0 defeat away to Sutton United Arthur Mann and Billy Jef-

frey, the two senior players who put in temporary control after Needham's resignation, have both said they will be happy to play under Buckley.

• Kevin Blackwell, who has joined Scarborough from Barnet, is staking a claim as the distant commuter in the GM Vauxhall Conference. The former Boston United goal-keeper will continue to live in the Luton area despite his transfer. Two Telford United players might contest his claim: Kevin Charlton travels from Anglescy and Tom Morgan

 Runcorn, who were on the brink of liquidation in 1983, have announced an operating profit of £20,666 for the last Coine Dynamoes, of the North West Counties League. hope to sign Billy Hamilton, the Oxford United forward who has

had to retire from full-time

football because of a knee

from Aberystwyth.

MODERN PENTATHLON

Two schools of thought

(UIPMB) will decide on November 24 what action to take over three foreign compet-itors whose drug samples at the international meeting in Birmingham in June proved poscountry, or countries, will re-

main secret.

The UIPMB secretary-general, Thor Henning, said yeshave used beta-blockers, a positive.

A Great Britain junior men's team, bearing the name of Uoicorns, will take part in the Los Reves tourname of in Barcelona from January 3 to 6 next year (Sydney Friskin writes). They will play a few training matches also, against a Spunisi

training weekend, which is the starting point of Britain's search for talent for the 1938 Olympic Games in Seoul. The ourpose at this stage is to exclude the more established players.
GREAT BRITAIN JUNIOR SQUAD: J. Rees. N Thompson, D Commien, A Garcia.

subtle and elegant way," he said.

GOLF

US captain

Lee Trevino, the first American Ryder Cup captain to be beaten in 28 years, has labelled his team "cry bahies." The former Open champion, whose captaincy was bitterly criticized by some members of his team,

victory at The Belfry.
Trevino was said to have events on the record in an album released for the charity, game for many years and I've been on six Ryder Cup teams. All's well when everything is rosy, but there are good losers and bad losers. To tell you the truth. I thought they were cry babies and I told them so."

haods on me or say anything about my wife and kids.

than they did." Trevino also dismisses the

only natural. But they were never an unruly crowd. Trevino is one of six golfing

SPORT

Boys from Austria on way to the top

From Rex Bellamy **Tennis Correspondent** Antwerp

Two teenagers called Horst Skoff and Thomas Muster have charged from the tennis wilder ness into the top 50, which is where the money is. They are hardly household names, even in their native Austria. But it is frustrating for Britain, who cannot produce one such player, that a nation with Austria's modest tennis traditions car

Muster has beaten Ramesh Krishnan and Brad Gilbert to win a minimum of about £33,500 by reaching the last eight of the European Commueight of the European Commu-nity Championship. True, Krishnan had just flown in from Hong Kong and Gilbert's mobil-ity was inhibited by tendon trouble in his right knee. But at this time of year lots of players are tired or injured or both, but remain interested in piling up as much money as possible. Gilbert looks rather like the

Gilbert looks rather like the dark-haired half of the Starsky and Hutch TV series. There is nothing spectacular about his game but it is neat and always makes sense. He has a good touch, too. He flew from Paris to San Francisco last week to have that knee examined and then arrived in Antwerp a week later. He has been advised to rest for ten days but has yet to make up

MacEnroe in the Masters tour-nament, then won four grand prix events and made more money than he had ever dreamed about. He does not want to put down the pot of gold muil he has emptied it.

Muster, aged 19, is a left-

handed player whose short fair hair is always such a mess that nair is always such a mess that one suspects his barber is an eccentric who wears a hlindfold and works with a penknife. Muster is a busy and bouncy base-liner who goes in for long-range aggression. He serves hard and uses top-sain on both and uses top-spin on both flanks. Fierce cross-court back-hands and delicate forehand. lobs were features of his 6-3, 6-7,

6-4 win over Gilbert yesterday. Sooner or later Muster will learn how to volley and could then be very good indeed. He reckons his advance, like Scoft's, has been inspired by good coaching, latterly from the tactically shrewd Balazs Taroczy But Muster is also convinced that he made a wise move two years ago when, dissatisfied with his national association's development scheme, he decided to take a chance and go it alone with the

help of a manager.
On Wednesday evening there was a connoisseur's match in which "The Big Cat", Miloslav Mecir, beat the quick and crafty Paul McNamee. Mecir reached the last eight at Wimbledon and was runner-up for the United States championship. His strokes and speed of foot are equally deceptive and he has unusual weight of shot, timing the ball so well that - with what seems to be no more than a nudge — he can make it fly like a bullet. He is also bigger than McNamee and almost 10 years

One quarter-final will be between those formerly renowned juniors, Jimmy Arias, now 22, and Aaron Krickstein, aged 19. Neither could consolidate a rapid rise to the upper crust, but with the help of new coaches cach scens to be regaining momentum. A change of coach is often beneficial: a fresh approach can open windows in the mind.

RESULTS: T Muster (Austrie) bt B Gilbert (US) 6-3, 6-7, 6-4; H De La Pena (Ang) bt E Sanchez (Sp) 6-4, 7-6.

Big profits but few dividends

The management committee of the Wimbledon champion-ships announced yesterday that a record surplus of £6,200,848 would be passed on to the Lawn Tennis Association "for the benefit of British tennis" (Rex Bellamy writes). The surplus is taxable, so part of it will go to the Government. But the riches at the disposal of the LTA willat the disposal of the LTA will-again make them the envy of most other national

puzzled by the fact that British tennis has so little to show for its series of huge handouts from the game's most famous tour-nament. As I have pointed out before, Britain can make money out of tennis players but, de-monstrably, cannot make tennis

players out of money. Most of us are getting more than a little fed up with LTA promises of a new dawn at some indeterminate point in the funne. True, much has been, and is being, done to reorganize the British same encourage innor British game, encourage junior development, increase com-petition at all levels, and im-

prove playing facilities. The fact remains that, hy international standards. Britain's leading players—the goods in the national game's shop window—have become something of a joke. The LTA may (too slowly) be creating a climate for excellence. But notate in excellence but notate in excellence. body is excelling — and the responsibility for that must rest largely with the LTA.

The paradox of Wimbledon's record surplus is that it coincides with a year in which Britain sank to a rare nadir of failure in three team events.

In a Davis Cup ne, Australia achieved a winning lead over Britain without conceding a set in the corresponding Federation Cup competition. Denmark, hardly formidable opponents, beat Britain in the first round; then, an American reserve team inflicted on Britain their heaviest Wightman Cup defeat at home for 34 years. The Wimbledon surplus looks like financial aid for a disaster area.





Hand-to-hand combat: David Bryant (left), the old master of English bowls, and young Irishman, Rodney McCotcheon, signal their intention

FOOTBALL: FOREIGN LEAGUE SCREENINGS IMPAIRED BY FA INTERFERENCE

Sadly blind to a vision of beauty

By Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent

The Football Association has blocked a move to show foreign league games live on television. "We have to look after our own interest", Croker added. "It is a delicate balance and we try to be flexible but we are concerned about the increase in live coverage. The other weekend, for example, we saw four or five other sports while the national game was ignored. I thought that was disgraceful."

ITV's plan was insuired by league games live on television. The coverage was to have opened on Sanday with the potentially dazding fixture between Juventus and Napoli, the joint leaders in Italy, but ITV has been forced to take their imaginative idea off their schedule.

The Italians, who so admire The Italians, who so admire the English game that they readily import its leading players, are astounded by the parochial attitude. A headline in yesterday morning's Correire dello Sport summed up the reaction. "Our game is too heaviful for the Frankley" it reaction. "Our game is too beautiful for the English", it read. The assumption is not

"The fact that the two teams "The fact that the two teams are the leaders in Italy was pure coincidence", an ITV spokesman said yesterday. "We picked it simply because we thought the viewers might like to see players such as Platini, Landrup and, particularly, Maradona in action. Obviously, we are very disappointed about the FA's decision.

"Since it allows as to put foreign football on live only

foreign football on live only outside the English season, it has effectively stopped us altogether. Spain and Italy are the only lengues worth covering and the Spaniards finish at the end of March and the Italians pack of March and the Italians pack up on FA Cup fund day here."
Ted Croker, the FA secretary, admitted that "we are reluctant to allow the telvision companies to show these games, which they pick up for low fees, while they are reluctant to show highlights of domestic matches," The viewers, it would seem, are caught in

Cup is made in Zurich today. Scotland's remaining repre-

sentatives in European com-petition have performed with

distinction but they realize that the clubs left in are comprised

mainly of the elite, among them Barcelona, Inter Milan and Borussia Mönchengladbach.

It might be to the Scots' advantage to be drawn against one of the aristocrats rather than

the less fashionable, but perhaps more rugged, middle-of-the-road representatives such as

Dukla Prague, Beveren and Ghent of Belgium, and Spartak Moscow. Scottish clubs have usually found it to their advan-

tage to be reckoned underdogs in Europe because it is the nature of their players to snap more fiercely at well-heeled, and

famous, opponents.

Meanwhile, Celtic arrived home from Russia disappointed but not despondent after their

More gold in

a night than

in one season

Wrexham raked in more revwrexnam raised in more revenue from their away-goals defeat by Real Zaragoza in midweek than from an entire Football League season, Tony

Rance, their general manager,

As the Weish side readjusted to the more basic demands of their fourth division promotion battle. Rance said: "Receipts on

Wednesday were not far short of £50,000. Television fees and advertising will take that figure up to £60,000 — and that beats the £35,000 gate money we would expect from a League season.

season."

The financial rewards underline what Fontball League clubs are missing as a result of the indefinite UEFA ban — although Wrexham did lose £10,000 on their first-round encounter with Zurrieq of Malta."If we'd cleared £20,000 from Europe we'd have been happy," Rance said. "But this is fantasoc."

BASKETBALL

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US NATIONAL ASSOCIATION: Bosson Ceniss 133 Indigna Pecera 102: Derroit Peters
109 Washington Bullets 85: Sen Antonio
Squits 112: New Jersey Neta 103: Philadephia Tears 107 Milwaulee Bucks 101: Urah
Jazz 111 Cleveland Censilers 85: Golden
Stale Warnors 102 Portano Trail Blazers 92:

FOOTBALL

Senior executives at IIV were so incensed about the FA's lack of vision that they considered taking legal action. But they were advised by their own lawyers that the FA's case appeared to be "watertight" and that the proceedings in court would be pointless and potentially expensive. tially expens

was disgraceful."

ITV's plan was inspired by public interest during the World Cup finals. Some two months ago, it was noted that Sunday's match in Turin, involving three of the most prominent figures in Mexico last summer, happened to fall conveniently into almost the only sen in the demostic. the only gap in the domestic television programme between

television programme between October and March.
According to UEFA's reles governing such matters, permission must be sought from the authorities of the nations in their the first relies to the first relies to the first relies. authorities of the narous in which the fixing is being staged, and in which it is to be televised. The Italian FA initially granted it but subsequently withdrew it after receiving a message from Lancaster Gate.

The second leg of the second round tie started at 8.30 in Turin's Stadio Communic and All glued to the box

Madrid between Italy and West

of 450 million people.

An aggregate total of 12,800

million people watched tele-vision coverage of the 52 matches in Mexico-FIFA said. The quarter-final, viewed live at midnight in

Europe between West Germany and Mexico, was seen by 17 million in West Germany alone.

bowed out against Anderlecht, of Belgium. Steama won the trophy in Seville six months ago when Gavrila Balint converted

the decisive spot-kick in a shoot-

out against Barcelona.
But Balint, aged 22, missed from the spot early in the second half against Anderlecht and the holders, 3-0 down from the first leg, were doomed to failure desnite Ladician Roloni's 58th

despite Ladislan Boloni's 58th minute effort which inspired a late onslaught on the Belgian

With the 1985 winners Javentus, making a sad exit, most people will now be hoping for a Real Madrid-Dynamo Kjev final next May.

Russian club football has reached new heights since the national team's scintillating displays in the Mexico World Cup—notwithstanding the unfortunate defeat against Belgium—and the Soviet Union still have powerful challengers in all three competitions.

Torpedo Muscuw enjoyed the

LITTLEWOODS CUP: Third round replay: Notingham Forest 1, Crystal Palace 0 (Notingham Forest away to Bradford City in fourth round).

POURTH DIVISION: Peterborough United 2, Transpere Rovers 1. SCOTTISH FIRST DIVISION: Airthochians D, Chydle 2.

FA TROPFY: Second qualitying round replays: Cambridge City 4, Oxford City 0; Worksop 1, Tow Law 3 (set).

SOUTHERN LEAGUE BI Dellow Care King's Lynn 4, Rushden 1, Premier division: Postponed: Shapshed Charterhouse v Aylesbury.

GNIAC CUP: Postponed: Crawley Maidstone.

CENTRAL LEAGUE: First diriation: Derby 3. Eventon 2; Sheffeld United 8, Blackburn 0. Second division: Barneley 1, Botton 1; Blackpool 2, Bradford 3. Southport 1, Casmarton 2.

POOTBALL COMMINATION: Bristol Rovers 1, Queen's Park Rangers 3. FA YOUTH CUP: First resent: Croydon 2. Chasham 1; Usbridge 1, Erith and Belvedere 1; Epsom and Ewell 6, Danson

UAU CHAMPIONSHIP: Shelfield 3, Brad-ford 3.

VALDOHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Pres vision: Yeovd 3, Wokingham 0.

With the 1985 winners

Zurich (Renter) — A television audience of 580 million watched the 1986 World Cupfinal between Argentina and West Germany in Mexico City

The International Football Federation (FIFA) said in a newsletter that this was one of the largest television audiences recorded. The 1982 final in

Dynamo Kiev. The manager, David Hay, said he was all the more determined to make his team a major force again in

Europe. He feels that Celtic are close

to becoming a top-class side. That was obvious in their play

against Dynamn, one of the best clubs in the world, he maintained. Although Celtic gave Kiev a fright before losing 3-1, they, like Rangers, will have to strengthen their resources.

Just as Souness will be doing when he comes out of hospital

after an operation, Hay will continue the search for new

No praise can be high enough for Dundee United. Because of injuries to key personnel, they were forced to field a makeshift team against Universitatea Craiova in Romania. But they proved, even though they are undergoing a transicional period, that they remain Scotland's foremost specialists in European tournaments.

ELROPEAN CLP: Second round, ascond leg: Austria Vionna 1, Bayern Munich 1 (agg: 1-3); Dynamo Berlin 1, Broendyerns 1 (agg: 2-3); Dynamo Ser 3, Catic 1 (agg: 4-2); Juventus 1, Real Madrid 0 (aet. score atter 90 min 1-0; agg 1-1; Real Madrid von 3-1 on penalticit; Porto 3, Vicovice 0 (agg: 3-1); Red Ser Betgrade 4, Rosenborg 1 (agg: 7-1); Stetua Bucherest 1, Anderlecht 0 (agg: 1-3).

EUROPEAN CUP WINNERS' CUP: Sec-

EUROPEAN CLIP WIRNERS CLIP: Sec-ond round, second leg: Bordeaux 1, Berffica 0 (agg: 2-1); Lokomotiv Letpzig 2, Rapid Vienna 1 (agg: 3-2); Malano 0, Nenton Terra 0 (agg: 3-2); Olympiatos Piraeus 1, Ajax 1 (agg: 1-5); Sion 3, Katownos 0 (agg: 5-2); Veloz Moster 4, Vitoeha Sofie 3 (agg: 4-5); Vfb Sautigart 3, Torpedo Moscow 5 (agg: 3-7); Wirscham 2, Real Zaragoza 2 (aet; some atter 90 min 0-0; agg 2-2; Real Zaragoza won on away goels).

in European tournaments.

Scots aspiring to

the aristocracy

players

ended at 11.10. The quality, diminished by understandable fatigue during the later stages, was otherwise of an astonish-ingly high stundard and the finale was drama itself. English

The Football League, after being consulted about the proposal, pointed out that the coverage, which was due to start at 1.30pm, might affect the attendances of the two games that were being staged here on the same afternoon. For the sake of the form who will be assumbled of the few who will be assembled at the Recreation Ground, Aldershot, and the Old Show Ground, Scunthorpe, the many

A touch of irony

as holders go out

have been denied an extended view of continental football. At least they were offered a trun-cated version of Real Madrid's triumph on penalties over Juventus in the European Cup on Wednesday night.

By Sunday evening, Juventus will have collected £1 1/20 in four days. That amounts to almost half of Rush's transfer fee. As their supporters prepare to half their new arrival, they are already in the process of burying their old inspiration. Platini, they are convinced, is now little more than a ghostly figure. The apathetic Frenchs

who has won every honom except a World Cap winner's except a worm cap winter a medal, was overshadowed in both legs by Chendo. As he leaves the global stage, it is a pity that the English public are not allowed to catch at least a final glimpse of his glorious

20 minutes.

Those highlights included Cabrin's goal, which levelled the aggregate acore, and the series of penalties which Real won 3-1 (Juventus nervously missed three). Inevitably, it excluded a shower of golden moments that were being recalled well into the early hours by those privileged enough to have seen them.

The tie was accepted live in

have seen mem.

The tie was screened live in Italy. Indeed, Inter Milan's narrow UEFA Cup victory over Legin Warsaw, put on immediately beforehand, appeared as a sideshow before the main event. Even so, it was estimated that thousands of speciators were locked outside a stadium that was full hours before the kick-

With so many variables in the same they could quite easily get it wrong. The surprise is, in among all the oddities, that they are in the right so often. With the rugby season in Wales having started in such an explosive fashion, with two court cases, it means that if the game isso retain its integrity those isto retain its integrity those who are responsible for it need to be extra vigilant. This has inevitably placed a further onus on the referee.

the player but also the majority of the spectators. He was thought to have kicked a Bristol.

much on them. Our tootto in the Welsh Rugby Union 'Teg Chwarae, Chwarae Teg — Play fair, fair play'. That is what we are aiming to achieve in this instance." Value for

day, two each in the European Cup and one in the UEFA Cup. Country-by-country break-down of qualifiers: EUROPEAN CUP (sight searce): Belgium (Anderiecto), Denmerk (Broendayernes). Portugel (Porto), Soviet Union (Dynamo Kiev). Spain (Real Machid), Turkey (Beckus), West Germany (Dayern-Munich), Yugoslavia (Red Star Belgrade). EUROPEAN CUP-WIWMERS CUP (sight teams): Bulgaria (Vitosia Sofia), East Germany (Lohomoin Leipzig), France (Bordeaux), Soviet Urion (Torpedo Moscow), Spain (Real Zargagas), Sweden (Malmo), Switzerland (Sion), The Netherlands (Ajax).

UEFA CUP (6 teams): Austria (Swarovski Schools rugby by Michael Stevenson Ian Peck, master in charge at (Malino), SWIZERTANO (SMIJ), THE PERSON-lands (Ajax).

UEFA CUP (5 teams): Austria (Swarovski Tyro). Belgium (Beveren and Ghent), Czachockrakia (Muka Prague), Italy (hoter Guinaraes), Scotland (Durdee United and Gasgow Pangera), Soviet Union (Spaniak Moscow), Spain (Barcalona), Sweden (Göteborg), The Neubretands (Grindingen), West Germany (Bayer Verdingen and Borussia Mönchengladbach), Yugoslavia Helinini Spill.

Captain Arica dropped from Turkey squad

Ankara (Reuter) — The Turkey captain, Erdogan Arica, said to be disheartened after their 4-0 Eu ropean Chemptonship qualifying defeat by Yugoslavia, was dropped yesterday from the squad of 18 for the group four tie against Northern Ireland in Izmir on Wednesday.

The Turkish manager also omitted the forward, Erdal Keser, who was injured against Yugoslavia in Split. The midfield player, Yusuf Altintas, of Galatasaray, is to captain the

Galatasaray, is to captain the side.

side.

SOUAD: F Ursz, T Colsik, S Demiral, O Kapolez, Y Alfrikas, 1 Demiral, U Tutumeker, S Yavaflouran, M Tekin, K Akduku, S Corks, H Vezir, O Gedikali, U Karaman, 1 Tavla, R Cettin, K Koyuncuogularindan, R Dilmen.

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WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS

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1-1 footships to the completed today! Gans' first resend: Australia bit W Germany 2-0 (doubtes not first-fact; Belgium bit Brazil 3-0. Counter-finats: Cooknotowella bit Australia 3-0; Belgium bit Netherlands: 2-1; France at level with Jepten 1-1 (doubtes to be completed boday; Switzerband bit USA 3-0. WOIICESTER, Managerbasette; New England Women's towarmant. First register 0. never vern appen 1-1 (counted to the corresponding to the Corresponding to the Counted to the Co

Graf chasing

New York (AFP) - The American, Martina Navratiova, and Steffi Graf, of West Germany, occupy the leading positions in the women's tennis

play is the need the referee, in taking the action he did, must have seen it differently. Hogg's face reflected

RUGBY UNION

Play fair and fair

The sending off of Adrian Owen, the Bridgend captain, in the match against Bristol, is further demonstration, if any more were needed, that rugby exists precariously on the fine edge of robust aggressive play and that which is mean beligerence. And that it is the referee what has to determine what his sympathy and — not to be interpreted as an expression of irony — shook Owen's hand before he departed. Neither of these actions could be thought to be the common response of an injured organization in the common response of an injured organization in the common response of the common response who has to determine what an injured opponent in such constitutes dangerous play and, if so, to determine still further The matter is now in the hands of the Weish Rugby Union disciplinary committee. So, what is the procedure? Since whether, in his opinion, the action was carried out wilfully. action was carried out windity.

A rugby referee is put in such a position to interpret these fine distinctions and is expected to pass judgement immediately. He needs an unflappable temperament and iron will tempered with a sympathetic understanding of that intangible with the same as well as to so, what is the procedure; since the referce is the sole judge of facts, the committee is there to support the referce's decision and, in effect, to administer the appropriate punishment.
Until this season the player, having read the referee's report,

spirit of the game as well as to have the psychological insight into what the players' intentions could pass on his own observa-tion. But a modification in the regulation introduced this year means that a player will be With so many variables in the provided with a personal hearprovined with a personal hearing in the company of his own
club official if he so wishes.

A television recording of the
incident could be accepted as
admissible evidence. On this occasion the television cameras were there but the camera's eye was not all-seeing in this instance as, in following the ball, it missed the ambiguous offence. "Whilst we are prepared that such a hearing should take place," comments Ray Wil-liams, the WRU secretary, "we

on the referee.

Gareth Simmonds, who has a gathering reputation which could soon see him on the international panel, had no hesitation in sending Owen directly to the dressing room. But the action not only puzzled the planet but also the majority.

on the run of play Bridgend were trying to get in and disrupt
Bristol in open play. Hogg, the
Bristol centre, went down on the
ball, but failed to gather and the
ball rolled on. Owen, in close
attendance, tried to avoid Hogg
by imprint over him but Hoge Rangers and Dundee United expect to meet formidable opposition when the draw for the third round of the UEFA Cup is made in Zurich today.

A missed penalty proved influential in Bucharest where bushers of the influential in Bucharest where night in the Cup Winners' Cap when they thrashed Statigart 5-bowed out against Anderlecht, of Belgium. Steams won the a 7-3 rout while city when they thrashed statigart 5-bowed out against Anderlecht, of Belgium. Steams won the a 7-3 rout while city when they thrashed statigart 5-bowed out against Anderlecht, of Belgium. Steams won the a 7-3 rout while city when they thrashed statigart 5-bowed out against Anderlecht, of Belgium. Steams won the a 7-3 rout while city when they thrashed statigart 5-bowed out against Anderlecht, of Belgium. by jumping over him but Hogg, simultaneously, tried to get up. Boot and head collided. Some 3 in West Germany to complete a 7-3 rout, while city rivals Spartak also hit five against Toulouse, of France, in the UEFA Cup.

Spain also boast survivors in all three competitions, though Real Zaragoza, in the Cup Winners' Cup, and the UEFA Cup favourites Barcelona, both squeezed through on away goals. Belgium and West Germany also have three representatives left to fight another day, two each in the European Cup and one in the UEFA Cup. wit suggested that it was the head that was at fault and that it could have done untold damage to Owen's toes.

Be that as it may. The referee merpreted the kick to have been intentional; Owen pleaded that it was an accident. Hogg, in his comments afterwards, thought so too, but added that

money in Portugal

Bedford, reports a thoroughly enjoyable half-term visit to Porenjoyane nan-term visit to rot-tugal with the first game lost (6-33) to Dercito and good wins thereafter, against Lisbon Com-bined XV (23-12) and Belescoses (26-0). Thirty six boys and four staff made the trip and the 2nd XV also registered a loss and two wins.

Bedford found the opposition fast, strong and physical, but relatively naive tactically. The party was well looked after and Peck warmly recommends a visit to Portugal as "value for party and peck warmly recommends a visit to Portugal as "value for product and party and product and visit to Portugal as "value for money and a good balance between a representative school tour and holiday atmosphere".

Downside, with four wins, a draw and three defeats from their eight matches, visited Italy, where they beat Mogliano (15-13). Bellano (39-6) and lost to Paese (14-18). Damian Sibley, the scrum half, scored 22 points against Belluno and the 26 tourists and staff enjoyed their visit immensely. Their hosts are anxious to visit Britain and to entertain British schools

and to entertain British schools m Italy.

Wirral GS's meeting with Bradford GS had especial significance as both schools

were unbeaten. The contest could hardly have been closer, Bradford maintained their record, winning 15-14 through three penalties by Jonathan Mitchell, the final, winning kick being from around 45 yards, and a converted penalty try, when a pushover seemed probable. Wirral, dangerous in counterattack scored two tries, a drop goal and penalty.

Durham School have played

10, won six, lost three and drawn one match. They successfully repelled Screnouks' invasion, winning 16-6, through four penalties, kicked by Jason Greaves and a try by Liam Street Screensky' resists came Ryan. Sevenoaks' points came from a penalty try, converted by Graham Siddle. Sevenoaks' other match dur-

ing their short northern tour was against Barnard Castle, which they also lost (12-4). The taiented younger brother of Rory Underwood, the England wing, Rory Underwood, scored Bar-nard Castle's try and, with 10 minutes to go, the winners were leading 12-0, before Chris Crang scored a try for Sevenoaks.

BOWLS

The rebels trying to assassinate the King

With the exit from the tom-nament of the Scottish inter-nationals, Wood and Watson, the average age of the quarter-finalists in the CIS United Kingdom singles championship at the Preston Guild Hall has

at the Preston Guild Hall has drouped to 26 years – if you leave the astonishing David Bryant out of the reckoning. That is, of course, the very thing that his young challengers must not do. Bryant he Bryant, and well though the youngsters have done to eliminate the old guard, they still have to find a way to assassinate the King. The chief of the young rebels has already become a casualty.

The chief of the young repels has already become a casualty. Richard Corsie, aged 19, the plodding, pedestrian postman from Edinburgh who won a silver medal in the Commonwealth Games, went out to Roy Catta, an insurance assessor from Ipswich, who — at 33 — is now the second oldest man in the campetition.

now the second oldest man in the competition.

The England champion.

Cutts, a compulsive gunchewer, was opposed in the first quarter-final yesterday by n pale, slim Welshman who, at 26, has a considerable collection of Welsh and British titles. John Price, a civil servant from Aberaven, who plays bowls at the impressive Swansea Leisure Centre, has set up a formidable bowling partnership with the burly Steve Rees, another young quarter-finalist at Preston.

Steve Rees is the British juntor champion, but will be unable to defend his title next year as he has reached the advanced age of 26. Looking more like at archetypal darts advanced age of 26. Looking more like at archetypal darts player than a bowler, he offers n sharp visual contrast to the lean and hungry appearance of his Swanses colleague. Like many hig men, he has a fine and delicate touch, and his skill—and patience—make him a consistent and dangerous player. Today he plays Touy Allcock, whose charisma and good looks, as well as his consummate skill, are a major feature in the development of bowls' new image.

age.

Allcock has been playing since he was a toddler and is the perfect example of how bowls runs (or rolls) in families. His mother, Joan, a fine English international player, who recently died, gave birth between two rounds of the club pairs championship — which she went on to win. Her offspring was championship — which she went on to win. Her offspring was Anthony Allcock, who was first capped at 19; he followed up his world fours win in 1984 with successes in the world indoor pairs and singles championships designed the west 12 months. daying the past 12 months.

Bowls is a family concern for David Corkill, too. This 26-year-old assists his father, David Corkill senior, who is the Irish national coach, in his work with paraplegic bowlers. Avid, angular and ambitious, Corkill joined the bowls superstars when he won the Liverpool Victoria Superbowl last month.

His Irish colleague, Rod McCutcheon, is memployed and single. He spends a lot of his time playing bowls, and was the British junior champion four years ago. He is still only 23. Bob Hitchen is a glasshouse pot-unker, a crown green bowler, and keen enough to delay his honeymoon so that he could play in this event. He is 28.

RESULTS: Second round: R McCutcheon (tre) bt J Watson (Scot), 7-4, 7-4, 0-7, 6-7,

TO PLACE YOUR PERSONAL

would not like to think such a hearing would turn out to function as a court of law. It is a

positive measure to ensure that there is fair play for player and referee. We do not want to enter into anything resembling a legal argument in these matters. It is a game after all, something that people do in their spare time."

But is there a dilemma? "Yes," concedes Mr Williams,

"If we find that a player, any player, is exonerated, as has happened in the past with mistaken identity, we must be careful that we do not under-

such a way that they will be reluctant, in future, to send players from the field of play.

We want them to remain in a strong position because the good health of the game depends so

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TELEVISION AND RADIO

Edited by Peter Dear and Peter Davalle

Steel fist in the velvet glove of Chopin

 Perhaps oot everybody watching Witold Starecki's Omnibus film Cannon in Flowers (BBC1, 10.25pm) will fully understand what a Polish intellectual means when, casting about for the musical metaphor that best makes his political point, he describes his country's present predicament as that of e nation in tempo rubato. Other Polish contributors to this documentary that works hard to establish a strong link between the music of Chopin and his homeland's long history of defiance of oppression, reinforce the argument with sentiments that are starkly contemporary. There is a clear hint, for example, about Solidarity and its supporters in the statement that "if you can't do anything yourself, you begin to live vicariously through symbols.". If it is true, then, that the voice that speaks through

lh,

CHOICE

Chopin's music is as revolutionary as it is romantic, it seems like an act of folly that when Geoeral Jaruzelski imposed mar-tial law on Poland in 1981, he ordered the radio stations to relay a non-stop programme of Chopin to keep the nation calm. Clearly. he had not heard about what Schumann said about Chopin's music. Cannoo hidden in flowers is how he put it, adding that the Czar would probably have banned the "simple and romantic pieces" had he realized what a dangerous enemy was lurking inside them.

 Picasure Palaces (Channel 4 3.30), Dee Dee Glass's repeated series about British cinemas, ends today with flashbacks to the late Twenties and early Thirties, when people would go to the pictures to celebrate a wedding anniversary. wheo the foyers of the supercioemas were made magnificent by replicas of Buckingham Palace candelabra, and when whitegloved cinema managers held staff inspections that even took io the examination of finger nails. But the particular strength of this documentary series has been its social awareness. There are reminders this afternoon of the jobless in the Depression years who crowded into the local "fleapit" for warmth and, as they watched the screen idols of the day warbling optimistic ditties such as Keep your Sunny Side Up, and

of better times to come Highlights of today's 50 Years of BBC Televisioo celebrations are the Yosser Hughes episode of Alan Bleasdale's play sequence

Happy Days are Here Again,

found much-needed reassurance

Boys from the Blackstuff (BBC2, 9.45pm); Jooathao Miller's adaptation of M R James's geouicely scary ghost story Whistle and I'll Come to You (BBC2, 1225am) which Miller also directed io characteristically iotelligent style; and the Stanley meets Livingstone episode from Christopher Railing's drama docu-meotary series The Search for the Nile (BBC2, 8.00pm)

• Radio choice: Michael Frayn's translation of Yuri Trifonov's bitter-sweet comedy Exchange (Radio 3, 7.30pm), with Michael Jaystoo as the sorely-tried husband and son; and the Kaleidoscope verdict (Radio 4, 9.45pm) oo what we have heard so far of Peter Buckman's adaptation of Thackeray's Pendennis. Episode two is on Radio 4, at 3.00pm.



Peter Davalle Colin Firth and Carmen du Santoy get to grips in the third episode of Lost Empires. (ITV 9.00pm)

6.00 Ceefax AM. 6.50 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Debbie Greenwood. Weather at 6.55, 7.25, 7.56, 8.25 and 8.55; regional news, weather and traffic at 8.57, 7.27, 7.57 and 8.27; national and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30

and 9.00.

9.05 Freehers. A 40 Minutes documentary about Gillian Wake, a blind, 18-year old Liverpool University student. (r)

9.45 Advice Line. Paul Clark and Eileen Evason answer social security problems 10.00

Neighbours. (r)
10.25 Phillip Schoffeld with news of children's television, and birthday greetings 10.30 Play School. 10.50 Henry's Cat. (r) 10.55 Five to Eleven. Joanna Lumley with a thought for the day 11.00 Public School. A profile of D.F. 'Goldie' Goldsmith, aub-warden of Radley who is to leave the school after 30 years to become headmaster of another school. (r)
11.30 Open Air. Viewers comment

on yesterday's television programmes 12.25 Star Memories. Georga Melly recalls fond television memories 12.55 Regional news and weather.

1.00 News with Martyn Lewis. Weather 1.25 Neighbours. Weekday soap set in a Melbourna suburb 1.50 King Melbourna suburb 1.50 king
Rollo. (r) 1.55 Gran. (r)
2.00 The Liver Birds. Sandra is
having trouble with her
boyfriend and Beryl's attempts
to smooth things over only
make matters worse. Starring
Polly James, Nerys Hughes,
and Derek Fowlds. (r) 2.30
Knots Landing. Laura Avery
returns to the marital home returns to the marital home with news for her husband that

with news for her nusuand that could make or break their rocky marriage, 3.20 Box Clever. A family quiz presented by Emlyn Hughes.
3.50 Whizz, (r) 4.10 SuperTed. (r) 4.15 Beat the Teacher. The

the most of your visit.

final of the Champion of Champions competition. 4.30 Chaggars Plays Pop. Keith Chagwin introduces a collection of games, quizzes,

and pop music.

John Craven's Newsround

5.10 Grange Hill. Episode 10 of
the 24-pert drama serial. (r)
(Ceefax) 5.35 Masterbean (Ceetax) 5.35 Masterteem presented by Alexandra (Ceetax) 5.00 News with Sue Lawley and Nicholas Witchell. Weather.
5.35 London Plus.
7.00 Wegan. Tonight's guests include Charlene Tilton, Bo Derek and Derek Fowlds. Plus

Derek and Derek Fowlds. Plus a song from Elice Brooks.

7.35 Blankety Blantic. On Les Dawson's panel this week are Roy Barractough, Rustle Lee, Jan Leeming, Linda Nolan, Paul Shane, and Jeff Stevenson. (Ceefax)

8.10 The Colbys. In this last episode of the series Sable is fighting for her lifa after the shooting incident on the yacht, Monica makes a disturbing discovery when ahe surprises

Monica makes a disturbing discovery when ahe surprises her lover at his apartment; and Bliss's new boytnend threatena to cause the family problems. (Ceefax) 9.00 News with John Humphrys and Andrew Harvey. Weather. 9.30 Call Me Mister. Jack Ratholymay gets a lob as a Bartholomew gets a job as a minder for a very rich French girl and lands up in prison.

girl and lands up in prison.
Starring Stave Bisley. (Ceefax)
10.25 Omnibus: Cannon in Flowers.
Witold Stareck's film
illustrating how Poland of
yesterday and today raties for
its inspiration on the music of
Chopin. (see Choice)
11.15 Championahip Bowling. Tha
CIS Insurance United Kingdom

Indoor Singles Bowls
Indoor Singles Bowls
Championship.
Bodyline. Episode two of the
five-part dramatized series
about the lead-up to and the
actual Test Match series in 1932 between England and Australia. (r) (Ceetax)



Peter Davies, deputy curator of the Hancock Museum, Newcastle, is taken for a ride by David Bellamy. (ITV 5.00pm)

BBC 2

9.00 Ceefax.
9.35 Deytime on Two: basic
German conversation 9.52 Part
six of the story about a girl who
betriends a badger 10.15 A
profile of a street in Stirling
10.38 Mathematical
investigations: in proportion
and scale up 11.00
Wondermaths 11.17 The future
for the coef industry 11.40 My for the coal industry 11.40 My

for the coal industry 11.40 My place.

12.00 Verbal powers of persuasion 12.32 An up-date of the programme shown six years ago in which Belfast Roman Catholic and Protestant young people were introduced to each other 1.05 Learning English from popular television programmes 1.33 A simple quide to lasers.

2.00 You and Me. (r)

2.15 Racing and Bowls. The 2.45, 3.20 and 3.55 races from Cheltenham; and the CIS insurance United Kingdom Indoor Singles Bowls Championship. (including regional news and weather at 4.05)

5.20 Quatermass and the Pit-starting Andre Morell. (shown starring Andre Moreit. (snown in January 1959)
6.00 Travellers' Tales' Armand and Michaela Denis go in search of Gertie, a rhinocerps with an extremely long horn. (shown in May 1958)
6.25 Colditz. Wing Commander Marsh decides that the only year out of the prisoner-of-war

marsh decides that the only way out of the prisoner-of-war camp is by pretending to be mad, Starring Michael Bryant. (shown in May 1973)
7.20 This is Your Life* Eamonn Andrews has a surrelea to

7.20 This is Your Life Earnorm
Andrews has a surprise in
store for Harry Secombe.
(shown in March 1958)
7.50 Children Talking. Boys and
girls from Birmingham give
their views on running a home.
(shown in October 1957)
8.00 The Search for the Nile. Keith
Buckday and Michael Gough
era as Stanley and

star as Stanley and Livingstone in the episode of the drame documentary series which covered the historic meeting between the two men on the shores of Lake Tanganyika. (shown in October 1971)

9.00 Not Only...But Also - With ter Cook and Du Their guests included Diahann Carroll and John Lennon. (shown in January 1965)
9.45 Boys From the Blackstuff
Yosser's Story. A superla performance by Bernard Hill as fosser, a man who tes mentally and physically as his desperate attempts to find work come to nothing. (shown in October 1980)

10.55 Newsnight includes a report on the strife at Somerset

11.40 Late Night Line-up.
12.25 Whistle and I'll Come to You".
Jonathan Miller's adaptation of
M.R. James's ghost story,
starring Michael Hordern.
(shown in May 1968)
1.10 Weather.

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9.25 Themes news headlines.
9.35 Schools: understanding our own individuality 9.47 How We 'Used to Live: comparing country life with that in a city 10.09 Maths: triangles 10.25 10.09 Maths: triangles 10.26 Science: avaporation and condensation 10.48 The fives of women farmers in Burkina Faso, Kenya and Zimbabwe 11.15 How steel band instruments are made and played 11.27 A day out with grandparents 11.44 A survey of leisure activities.

of leisure activities. 12.00 Flicks. (r) 12.10 Raimbow. Learning with puppets. Pennywise, Muriel Clark and 12.30 Anne Brand with more money-saving ideas including advice on entertaining 10 people for

1.00 News at One with Leonard Parkin 1.20 Thames news. 1.30 Film: Assignment Redisead* (1956) starring Richard Denning. Spy thriller about a criminal Impersonating a British agent. Directed by Maclean Rogers. 3.00 Take the High Road. Elizabeth Cuminoham pays a surrice 1.00 News at One with Leonard Curningham pays a surprise visit to the estate 3.25 Thames news headlines 3.30 Sons and

4.00 Rainbow. A repeat of the programma shown at 12.10
4.15 The Trap Door. Cartoon series. 4.20 Worldwise. Geography quiz presented by David Jensen, (Oracle) 4,45 Alias the Jester. (1)
5.00 Bellamy's Bugle. David
Bellamy with another programme in his conservation series, 5.15 Blockbusters.

General knowledge quiz for teenagers presented by Bob Holness.

5.45 News with John Suchet. 5.45 News with John Suchet.
6.00 The 6 O'Clock Show
presented by Denny Baker.
7.00 Bruce Forsyth's Play Your
Cards Right. Game show.
7.30 New Faces of 86. Talent show
presented by Marti Caine. The
non-voting panel are Jim
Bowen, Nina Myskow, and Simon Napier-Bell. 8.30 The Two of Us. Domestic omedy senes starring Nicholas Lynchurst and Janet Dibley as a young couple living together. This evening there is pressure from both sets of parents for the pair to plight their trotts. (Oracle)

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10.30 The London Programme. An
investigation into the shedy
sida of estate agencies. The
market has experienced an
influx of agents who employ
methods which range from
sharp practice to activities
which are biatently
illegal. Presented by John
Taylor. Followed by LWT News
headlines.

11.05 South of Watford. The story of the launch of the men's ifestyle magazine, Arena, launched on November 5.
Presented by Hugh Laurie.
Night Heat. Giambona hunts for the killer of a rock star.

Film: Vampira (1974) starring David Niven and Teresa Graves, Dracula at last finds the right blood group to bring his beloved wife back from the ead. Directed by Clive Donner. 2.05 Night Thoughts.

TV-AM

6.15 Good Morning Britain presented by Anneka Rice and Richard Keys. News with Gordon Honeycombe at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; fearcial news at 6.35; aport at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; financial news at 6.35; aport at 6.40 and 7.40; exercises at 6.55 and 9.17; cartoon at 7.25; pop music at 7.55; and Jimmy Greaves's television highlights at 8.35. The After Nine guests include Russell Grant, and thora is resus of a control there is news of a poetry



Bernard Hill . Boys from the Black Stuff, BBC2, 9.45pm -Padio 5

CHANNEL 4

2.30 Gallery. Art quiz game presented by George Melly. This week, Maggie Hambling and Frank Whitford are joined by Harry Rabinowitz and Mark Boxer. The guest students are Danielle Lefitte and Neil Skehel. (r)
3.00 World of Animation includes The Rug., made by American The Rug, made by American animator Maureen Selwood.
3.30 Pleasure Palaces. The third

Pleasure Parces. The third and final programme in the series axamining the history of cinema-going from the early days to the Thirties. (see Choice) (f)
4.30 Countdown. Yesterday's

winner is challenged by Frances Kicul, from Brigg. Frances Kicul, from Brigg,
North Humberside.
5.00 Car 54, Where Are You?*
Vintage American comedy
series about two hapless New
York policemen, today,
unwritingly helping a gang
preparing to rob a bank.
5.30 The Tube presented by Jools
Holland and Paula Yates. The
guests include Big Audio
Dynamite, Lone Justice, and
Bon Jovi. Plus an interview
with Iggy Pop.

with Iggy Pop. 7.00 Channel 4 News with Nicholas Owen and Nik Gowing.

7.50 Book Choice, John Carey, author, critic, and Professor of English at Oxford University, reviews Michael Dibdin's A Rich Full Lifa, a detective story eat in Vietorian England set in Victorian England.
8.00 What the Papers Say, With freelance journalist Godfrey

freelance journalist Godiney
Hodgson.

8.15 A Week in Politics presented
by Nick Ross includes a report
on how merchant bankers and
government ministers are
exporting the idea of
privatization to Europe.

9.00 Newhart. Domestic cornedy
series from the United States.

9.30 Gardeners' Calendar
presented by Hannah Gordon.
Tha Wisley experts

The Wisley experts demonstrate how to grow vegetables through winter using cloches and frames; and how to prepare houseplants for the winter months. (r)

(Oracle) 10.00 The Golden Girls, Cornedy series about four iniddle-aged women sharing a Florida coast house. Tonight, the new love in Dorothy's life confesses that he is married. Dorothy drops him, but after a short time begins the affair egain, much to her fellow residents fisgust. (Oracle)

10.30 Well Being Special: Italy's Mad Law. A repeat of the programme examining the revolution in Italian psychiatry. 11.39 Film: Persona* (1967) starring Liv Ullmann and Bibi Anderson. A powerful portrait of people under stress with Ullmann a mute patient at a

psychiatric clinic and Andersson the nurse who alcs down during the course of treating the woman.
Directed by Ingmar Bergman.
Ends at 1.00.

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News, 6.35pm-7.00 Reporting Scotland.
10.25-11.16 Left, Right and Centre, 11.4512.35sm Oranibus: Cannon in Flowers,
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6.35pm-7.00 Regional news magizznes.

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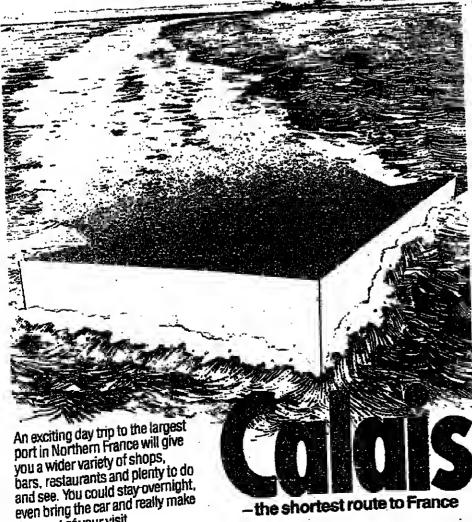
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Cross Question 11.10 Film: Cruise into Terror
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Radio 4

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News on the trail-hour from 6.30em until 8.30em then at 10.00 and 12.00 midnight. 5.30em Adrian John 7.00 Mike Smith's Breakfast Show 9.30 Simon Batas 12.30 Newsbeat (Frank Partridge) 12.45 Gary Davies 3.00 Steve Wright 5.30 Newsbeat (Frank Partridge) 5.45 Singled Out (Janice Long, Eddie Lundon and Jimmy Nail) 7.00 Andy Peebles 10.00-12.00 The Friday Rock Show featuring Skagarack. VHF Stereo RADIOS 1 & 2.400em As Radio 2 10.00pm As

MF (medium wave). Stereo on VHF (see page 3). News on the hour (except 8.00pm, 9.00) Headlines 5.30am, 6.30, 7.30, 9.30. Sports Desks 1.05pm, 2.02, 3.02, 4.02, 5.05, 6.02, 6.45 (mf only), 9.55 4.00am Colin Berry 5.30 Ray Moore 7.30 Derek Jameson 9.30 Ken Bruce 11.00 Jimmy Young 1.05pm Devid Jacobs 2.00 Gioria Hunnitord 3.30 Devid Hamilton 5.05 John Dumn 7.00 Chris Elis 7.30 Friday Night is Music Night ind at 8.20-8.40 John Thompson on stage-fright 9.30 The Organist Entertains 10.00 Moira Anderson Sings 10.30 Grumble weeds 11.00 Peter Dickson'a Nightcap 1.00am Bill Ramelis 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music.

WORLD SERVICE

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7.45 Morchett Nevy Programme 2.00
News 9.06 Reflections 8.15 Eric Coates
8.30 Music Now 9.00 News 9.00 Review of
the British Press 9.15 The World Today
9.30 Figures 10.40 News 10.01 Folk in the
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3.45 The World Today All Buses in GMT.

6.55 Weather, 7.00 News 7.05 Concert: Roussel (Symphonic fragments: The Spider's Banquet, played by the French National Orchestra under Georges Pretre), Chopin (Introduction and Polonaise brillante: Rostropovich/Agerich).

8.05 Concert (continued)
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usinghier, Semiramide: Joan
Sutherland/Royal Opera
House Orchestra and
Chorus), Strauss (Hom
Concerto No 1: Hermann
Reumann, horn), Elgar Criotish, Suraiss (Horitish, Suraiss), Suraiss (Horitish Concerto No 1: Hermann Baumann, horn), Elgar (Sospin), British (Diversione, Op 21: with Julius Katchen, piano), 9.00 News i This Week's Composers: The Five. Balakirav (the Symphonic poem Russa), Cui (The statue in Tsarkoye Selo: Hoved you: Irina Arkhipova, mezzo. Also Burnt letter, with Lavko, mezzo, and Sergei Muntyan, piano, playing Etude Op 40 No 6, and Berceuse, Op 20 No 8). Mussorgsky (Khovanshchine, Act 2: Bolshi Theatre soloists)

Ashi Theatre soloists) IO.60 Langham Chamber Orchestra (under Maunce Handford). Haydn Maurice Handford). Hayon (Symphony No 49). Grainger (My Robin is to the greenwood gone). Respight (Suite No 1, Ancient Airs and Dances)

Ars and Dances)
10.60 Schubert Songs, written
in the Bass Cleft (3) Ian
Caddy (baritone)). Melvyn
Tan (fortsplano).
Includes Grenzan der
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deluso; and Il modo di
prender prender Charubial String Quartet

Beethoven (Quartet in C minor, Op 18 No 4; Quartet in F, Op 135; Quartet in E minor, Op 59 No 2) 1.00 1.05 BBC Scottish SO (under Jiri Starek). Harald Genzmer (Divertimento for symptonic winds). Janacek (Suite for strings).

pianist plays Suk's Things lived and dreamed, 11,35 Les mariees de la Tour

2.05 University of Wales recital: Paul Crossley (plano). Brahms (Thre

Tippett (Sonata No 4) 3.45 Ladies Lost and Found: Martin Jarvis as Chaucer in part five of The Book of the Ouchess and The House of Fame (r)
4.00 Sequence of Music and Readings: a recording made at the Edington Festival. The organist is Andrew Lumaden. Includes Stravinsky's Introt. The dove descending, and Howelts's Psalm Pratude Set 1, No 2; and Psalm 23 I beard a volce from

heard a voice from Heaven, 4.55 News

Heaven. 4.55 News
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure:
recorded music
selection, presented by
Jeremy Siepmann
8.30 Ulster Orchestra (under
Barry Wordsworth).
Lyadov (Eight Russian Folk
songs), and Koalinnikov
(Symphony No 1)
7.30 Exchange: Michael
Freyn's translation of the
play by Yuri Trifonov. The
cast includes Michael
Jayston as the man whose
wife and mother have
been at daggers drawn until
the family is stricken by
an illness. The setting:
Moscow In the 1970s.
Cast also includes Patricka Cast also includes Patricia Garwood and Margot Boyd

9.10 BBC SO (under Lothar Zagrosek), with Phyllis Bryn-Julson (soprano), Linda Finnie (mezzo), and Hinte (mezzu), and Segiried Jerusalem (tenor), with BBC Symphony Chorus, Part one, Webern (Six Pieces, Op 6) and York Holler (Dreamplay). Recording of e performance given earlier this evening at the Royal Fastival Hall, in London

9.50 What Books I Please: talk by Geoffrey Hosking. Professor of Russian History at University of London. The topic: Valentin Rasputin's book Farewell

10.10 Concert continued. Mahler (Das klagende 10.50 Radoslav Kvapil: the

under Geoffrey Simon perform tha work by Les 11.57 News. 12.00 Closedown

On long wave. (s) Stereo on VHF. 5.55 Shipping. 6.00 News Briefing; Weather. 6.10 Farming Today. 6.25 Prayer for the Today. 6.25 Prayer for the Day (5)
6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News. 6.45
Business News 6.55, 7.55
Weather. 7.90, 8.00
News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.45
Thought for the Day. 8.35
Yesterday in Parliament.
8.50 Letters. 8.57
Weather; Travel
News.

Weather, Travel
9.00 News
9.05 Desert Island Discs.
Jeremy Irons is the
castaway on Michael
Parkinson's Island (r) (e)
9.45 The Luthier'e Tale. The
work of musical
instrument-maker Trevor
Couvelle. A report by
Malcolm Biffings.

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10.00 News: International Assignment. BBC correspondents report from around the world.

10.30 Morning Story: The Flowering of the Strange Orchid, by H G Wells. Read by David Ashford.

10.45 Daily Service (New Every Morning, page 50) (s).

11.00 News: Travel; You the Jury. A controversial Issue is tried before a studio audience of jurors (f).

11.48 Natural Selection. The Koals. With Mike Stoddart. 12.00 News; The Food

rogramme with Derek Cooper. 12.27 Hoazl Leslie Thomas, Maureen Lipman and Frank Thomton tell the stories. Tim Brooke-Teylor, you and the studio audience, try to spot the lie (s) 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World At One: News 1.40 The Archers, 1.55

Shipping 2.00 News, Woman's Hour.
Includes an interview
with Nigel Williams who has
written a play about
English folk song and dence
collector Cacil Sharp. 3.00 News; Pendennis, by William Makepeace

Thackeray. Part 2 of an aight-part dramatization. With Hugh Dickson and Dominic Guard (s) (r) 4.05 The News Huddlines.
Roy Hudd laughs at the
news with June Whitfield.

Huddliners (r)
4.30 Kaleidoscope.

Chris Emmett and The

chance to hear last night's edition. Includes comment on Tons of Money at the Lytielton, and the Russian season now nunning on Radio 3(r)
5.00 PM. News magazine.
5.50 Shipping. 5.55 Weather
6.00 News: Financial Report
6.30 Going Places. Clive
Jacobs presents the
consumer magazina about

vel and transport. 7.00 News 7.05 The Archers 7.20 Pick of the Week.
Margaret Howard with
highlights of the past week's
programmes on BBC
radio and television.

8.20 Law in Action. Josi Rozenberg with news about the law and Q administration of justice.

3.45 Any Questions? With
Alistair Graham (director) Industrial Society), Mary Industrial Society), Mary Baker (chairman of Holiday Care Service), Sue Silpman (director, Netional Council for One Parent Families, Graham Dowson (Industrialist). Fran Kldsgrove, North Staffordshire. In the chair:

John Timpson.

9.30 Letter from America, by Alisteir Cooke.

9.45 Kaleidoscope, Includes nazzoscope, includes comments on the David Smith exhibition at the Whitechapel, and the Radio 4 serial, Pendennic.

10.15 A Book at Bedtime: A Bit of a Do. by David Nobbs (10 of 12), Read by John Rowe 10.29 Weather 10.30 The World Tonight 11.00 Today in Parliament 11.15 The Financial World

Tonight 11.30 Week Ending. Sattrical review based on the week's news (S) 12.00 News; Weather, 12.33

Snipping

- (available in England and S Wales only) as above axcept: 5.55-6.00am

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Earth Search 11.20
Playtime (s) 11.35 Music Workshop (s): 1.553.00pin For Schools: 1.55
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(s): 2.40 Listen! (s): 5.50-(s) 2.40 Listen! (s). 5.50-5.55 PM (continued). 12.30-1.10am Schools Night-tima Broadcasting: Radio History 11-14

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SPORT

Scot in shoes of the Big Man

By Hugh Taylor Sharp is the word for Alex Ferguson. There can be little argument that this Jock the Lad from Glasgow's Govan is

the among the outstanding managers in Britain today. The mantle of Jock Stein the motivator has fallen on Ferguson. Like the famed Big Man of Celtic, Ferguson has presence. Footballers snap to attention when he tells them what he wants — and woe betide anyone that falls out of

Dapper, looking fit enough still to be playing, the former Rangers inside forward spells out to his players a modern gospel of football tactics.



Ferguson: releutless power

relentless power, and touches of good ald fashioned Scottish style. Thus Aberdeen became the country's team of the last

It was due almost entirely to Ferguson, who combines street wisdom, awsome grasp of modern football knowledge, hasiness methods and burning ambition for any chib of which he is manager, that Aberdeen put Rangers and Celtic in the shade for so long.

Ferguson, who also managed St Mirren, can be temperamental has a quick temper does not suffer fools or inquisitive sports reporters gladly, is a workaholic and sometimes, as when he assumed the Scotland job as well as that of Aberdeen, he takes on too much for his own good. Fer-guson is articulate, can be witty, demands from his players what be himself puts into the game, but he is adored by the supporters of Aberdeen, who will be violently upset if he leaves Pittodrie.

McNeill's sympathy

Billy McNeill, the Aston Villa manager who was Ron Atkinson's apposite number at Manchester City for three years, yesterday expressed sympathy for the departed Old Trafford manager. He said: "I feel Ron has

been anlucky. He had very good players, but unfortunately be did not have anything like maximum use of them this season.

"I don't care what team it is, if you pick np injuries then things are difficult for a manager. And of course it's even worse at Old Trafford."

Ferguson lined up for United

compensation, said: "Obvi-ously I'm a bit disappointed.

Things have gone against us so

I suppose it was inevitable this

would eventually happen. Ev-

ery managerial position has its problems, but here they are

magnified because United are

the biggest club in Britain and

the best known in the world."

that Atkinson's future hung in the balance this season. He

could hardly have made a

worse start, losing the first

three League games and win-

ning only one in the first nine. Again he has been hampered

by injuries which have plagued him right through

until the end this week when

he learnt that he had lost Whiteside for a month with a

A recent run of seven games

without defeat was a mislead-

ing sign of improvement, a

fact confirmed when Southampton knocked United

out of the Littlewoods Cup on

Tuesday by a humiliating 4-1

cuse. Despite continued sup-

port from the chairman he has

mous at a club like Manches-

knee injury.

it was common knowledge

Scotland during the World Cup in Mexico, is expected to become the next manager of Manchester United following the dismissal yesterday of Ron Atkinson. Martin Edwards, the chairman, was travelling to Aberdeen last night to talk to Ferguson after the Scottish Premier Divison clab had given their permission.
The Old Trafford board has

cast envious eyes north ever since Ferguson led Aberdeen to Victory in the Cup Winners Cup final three years ago. He is a man of stature, commanding great respect from those around him. In carrying off numerous domestic trophies in recent years his teams have played with n panache reminiscent of the great pre-Munich United teams. In short he fits the shoes first vacated by Sir Matt Busby in 1969 better than any of the five managers who have

Ferguson was seriously courted two seasons ago by Tottenham Hotspur who he eventually turned down after agreeing to join the club - a decision he later regretted. At the time he still hankered after winning the European Cup, the one trophy which eluded him as it did Busby for many years. But that great Aberdeen team has possibly begun its decline in the last 18 months and while still carrying off both domestic cup competitions last season they failed for the first time in seven seasons to finish in the

United's

recent

fourth, and fourth again in the

championship and won the

FA Cup twice (1983 and

Alex Ferguson, who led share team duties with Fer- to receive about £100,000 in guson while he himself has also become a director on the club's board. This season's first round elimination from the Cup Winners' Cup was a bitter disappointment and may have left him more amenable to fresh challenges elsewhere. He has two years to run of a five-year contract which at times has netted him £100,000 in a season after

bonuses. Compensation to Aberdeen will be considerable. He became United's obvious target the moment Atkinson was dismissed, along with his assistant, Mick Brown, at yesterday morning's hoard meeting; the gentleman's agreement among Football League chairmen

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that they would not poach each other's managers while they were under contract meant that United were al-

ways likely to look outside the League for a replacement.
In announcing the board's decision to terminate Atkinson's contract after five board with a ready-made exand a half years at Old Trafford, Edwards said that the decision was taken "in the had his critics, among them light of the team's poor perfor- Bobby Charlton, a director on mance over the last 12 the board. The demands for months" and that it was "in success are naturally enorthe best interests of the club and fans". The United board ter United who insist on are known to become particularly nervous about falling calibre of Bohby Robson, gates at Old Trafford where Lawrie McMenemy and Ron top three.

This season Archie Knox has returned from Dundee to

Atkinson, who is expected

Lawrie Michellering and Roll

Lawrie Michellering and Roll

Saunders have declined the job. In the board's eyes Atkinson, who is expected

A year in the life of Manchester United

November 1986 - Bottom November 1985 - Top Wattord Manchester United 15 13 2 0 35 6 41 Liverpool 15 9 4 2 32 16 31 Shelfield Wed 15 8 4 3 24 23 28 Leicester City Liverpool Shaffield Wed Manchester Utd 13 3 4,6 16 Chelsea 6 3 4 21 15 27 8 3 4 19 15 27 Chelsea Manchester City 13 1 6 6 10 15 9 Newcastle Utd 13 2 3 8 9 22 9 On November 6, 1985, Ron Atkinson's unbeaten Manchester United led the first

division by ten points. A year later, on the day of Atkinson's dismissal, United were third from bottom. In the interim, United played 40 League matches, winning 12, drawing 12, losing 16, scoring 51 goals and conceding 46. Of 12 matches in the FA Cup, Milk Cup, Snper Cup and Littlewoods Cup over those 12 months, they won five, drew three and lost four, scoring 16 goals and conceding 13.



Bowing out: Ron Atkinson at Old Trafford yesterday after his dismissal

High flyer who toppled off the tightrope pelled with Atkinson's own ing-room, has not been famous. Wednesday in April had preferences. He has always for taking people aside to sing ended their chances of winning

managers Ron Atkinson's tragedy, if seby – appointed Oct 1945, there is any tragedy in his dismissal by Manchester United, is that in his time as the clinb's manager he did not sympathetic to his successor Matt Busby - appointed Oct 1945, retired May 1970. Wilf McGuiness - appointed Aug Sir Matt Busby - temporary return as team manager Dec 1970- Jun have the courage, in Arthur Miller's aphorism, to let himself be known.

as team money.

1971.

Frank O'Farrell — appointed Jun
1971 sacked Dec 1972.

Tommy Docherty — appointed Dec
1972 sacked Apr 1981.

Ron Atkinson — appointed Jun 1981
sacked Nov 1986.

Third sacked Dave Sexton obituary for one of the game's most flamboyaut managers, who occupied centre stage for five years as manager of the most glamorous club in the United sacked Dave Sexton in April 1981 (after a run of country, hogging the back pages constantly and appearseven wins) and Atkinson replaced him as first choice ing regularly as a television pundit. His friends, however, after Lawrie McMenemy and Bobby Robson turned the job insist that behind the flashy down. In five seasons under Atkinson, United have fin-ished third, third, fourth, exterior lies a solid, down-to-

earth football man.

There is at least a partial truth in his friends' interpretation. A powerful journeyman player who captained Oxford Inited in their heady early days in the League, earning a reputation for honesty and enthusiasm is the lower divisions, there was little in his background to deay that view, and his early success as manager of Cambridge United

was built on solid worth. It is still said that he is at his happiest playing in five-a-sides in training or talking football with football people away from the public stage.

It is not a persona which he has elected to show to the world, who see only the gold bracelets, flash cars, ostentations clothes and champagne. Possibly that was an image be cultivated when he was brought in to replace Dave Sexton, in the knowledge that United wanted n larger-thanlife character to claim head-lines away from John Bond,

who was then dominating them for Mancheter City.

If so, it was a profou

sympathetic to his successor and their antipathy left him vulnerable as results slipped badly. Walking n tightrone since United's crushing decline last season, and with his press relationships increasngly sour, he will be mourned he has fallen off.

But if his image ultimately did little to help him, that was not at the heart of his dismissal. Even if his friends' account of him could be accepted without question, the club's record of only 11 wins against first division apposition in a year suggests that United's problems run much deeper than a poor start to the

His feeling for the game is undoubted. If Manchester United have always demanded **Stairway**

Ron Atkinson, was born on

March 18, 1939 in Liverpool.

After being rejected by Wolves and Aston Villa, be estab-lished himself as a wing half at

Southern League, Oxford United, just before the club

joined the Football League in 1962.

age of 20 and played alongside his younger brother, Graham. He made 382 League appear-ances and helped Oxford win the Third Division champion-

ship in 1968. His aggressive

He was club captain by the

esponsed attractive football his manager's praises.

And at West Bromwich and Old Trafford he put together teams to fulfil that desire.

This friends will point again lieved by friends to be on the undermined their challenge jected that excuse when it was in the League, and he was because of the run of injuries, which is manager's praises.

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The League, and he was because of the run of injuries, which is manager's praises. teams to fulfil that desire. The suspicion, however, is

that he mistakes style for substance in football as in appearance. Surprisingly, given his grass-roots background, he has apparently never understood that teams have to be built on solid values and the lack of them has cost United dear, Unlike Liverpool and Everton, United players have had no solid core of team unity to plug into when things

If his players generally have stayed hyal to him - Robson and Whiteside have spoken out in his desence in recent weeks, saying the team should take the blame for United's failures — it is noticeable that the team leaders in his early days, Martin Buchan and Ray Wilkins, were disenchanted. And Frank Stapleton, another

powerful figure in the dress-

He became player-manager at Kettering, twice winning the Southern League

championship, before return-

ing to League soccer in charge at Cambridge in December

1974. He won the Fourth

Division championship in

last season and have recurred. depriving him once again of the jewel in his crown, Bryan Robson, one of his first and

certainly most expensive signings when he took over The run of injuries have raised questions among outsiders about the club's preparations, especially the number of hamstring injuries which have run through the team, leading to scepticism nver the amount of time United spend training on an artificial surface and over their warmup procedures.

More fundamentally, al-though Atkinson himself has regularly referred to injuries as an explanation. United have not been the only club to

suffer severely with them. in a rare moment of selfknowledge, after the humiliat-ing home defeat by Sheffield

was during his spell at Albion style of play earned him the that he acquired a high-life

image with a taste for gold

jewellery, champagne and

expensive clothing.

He took over from Dave Sexton at Manchester United in June 1981 on a salary reputed to be £30,000 per year. He guided United to two FA Cup wins in 1983 and 1985 and the final of the Milk Cup in 1983 losing 2-1 to Liverpool

Atkinson moved to First Division West Bromwich Albion, in January 1978 and His League record at Old Trafford is: 3rd, 3rd, 4th, 4th, 4th, 4th, 4th, and currently 19th. took Albion into Europe three times in his four seasons. It

effect such a programming has on crowds at the gate-taking **Project floated** six weeks ago It is significant that the six companies who have agreed to take pictures from French television - HTV Wales, HTV West, TSW, Grampian, STV and Ulster - are all in

proffered by a reporter. "It's

not effing injuries!" he

had no answer to what it was.

although after that game he confessed that he could not

understand how players could fail to give their all

Atkinson's responsibility for that cannot be evaded. He

has perhaps not understood

the delicate mechanism which

is a football team, and his

response last season was to bring in a series of new

players, which did nothing for

the group's cohesiveness.

Individually excellent as

they undoubtedly were, only Colin Gibson proved a

successful transplant, Terry Gibson, Peter Davenport and John Siveback finding the

intrdouction into an unsetled

A more serious criticism

concerns other transfer dealings which have left United

the field is the prime object at Old Trafford. The sale of Ray

Wilkins to Italy and the pursuit of Strachan and Olsen as replacements in 1984, negotiated at a time when United

were challenging strongly for the championship, raised doubts about what United's

SQUASH RACKETS

Robertson is

troubled

by youngster

Chris Robertson, normally

quicksilver player of in-

dismiss Umar Hyat Khan, a

young Pakistani eight places behind his own 15th world ranking, at the World Open

championship in Toulouse yesterday (Colin McQnillan

The 21-year-old Australian,

who won 3-9, 9-3, 9-2, 9-7, meets the winner of today's

first round clash between Brit-

ish champion Philip Kenyon

and junior world champion Jansher Khan, Khan, 2ged 17. crushed Welshman Adrian

priprities were.

team horrendously difficult.

The assumption is that he

areas with either a natural affinity with the game, or recent success, or both. If any of the big four of the independest companies, Yorkshire, Granada, Central and Thomes, could be lured into involvement it would reduce costs to each independent company considerably.

The project was floated as little as six weeks ago by John Roberts, producer and director of ETV Wales's sports

Men of

Harlech

steal

a march

By David Hands Rugby Correspondent

Most of those who view next

year's inaugural rugby World Cup will do so via television. The rights are still being negotiated in some parts of the

world, notably North America,

but agreements have been concluded with the BBC in

Britain, who hope to show every try in the tournament (by

inference, parts of every game played), with New Zealand television who hope to put out every match live, and with two

companies in Japan.
Inevitably, however, there will be curiosity in the form of the 16 competing nations as the World Cup approaches. It

is this curiosity which has encouraged Harlech Tele-vision to become the first

independent company to show

an international match live in

its entirety, that between France and New Zealand in

Viewers who have come to regard the BBC as the natural

nedium for televised rugby

will watch the difference in

technique and commentary with interest. The four home unions, especially Wales, will watch with some concern the

Tonlouse tomorrow (2.45).

department: "It struck noe during the summer that, with the World Cup coming up, we should be looking to get as much action from major internationals all over the world as we could," he said. So HTV film of France in Australasi as well as Wales in Fiji and Western Samon, the latter game bringing a large audience considering the lack of

advance publicity.

That was further fuel which suggested there was a big audience waiting to see international rogby. I was aware of the New Zealanders' games in Toulouse and Nautes and found they were available to us." Such an aption is not open to the BBC who are midway through a three-year agreement drawn up with the television enumittee representing the four home unions, which limits to 10 minutes (with no advance usblicity) the amount of live rugby which can be shown on a Saturday afternoon apart from Five Nations Championship

Protecting the gates of clubs

the Eurovision version of the Toulouse match, complete with commentary from a New Zealander, but have decided to Zentander, but maye decaded to send their own team of Bob Symonds and Gerald Davies, plus a Welsh language team including Gareth Edwards, whose contract with the BBC Similarly, the proposed sale of Whiteside to Italy in 1982, and of Stapleton to Bordeaux a year ago, and most markedly the sale of Mark Hughes to has been concluded. "I would like to see In-

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dependent Television as a whole bid for the contract next Barcelona last year, did noth-ing for public confidence. time it is decided by the four home unions." Mr Roberts said. ITV policy on sport over the last couple of years has been to go far live and exclusive. sive coverage but there has been little interest expressed on either side for challenging the BBC's hold on rugby union, even if the renewal of each contract between the corporation and the home unions has always been the subject of hard-hoaded ventive court presence, took an one-and-a-half hours to

"There is interest in rugh union but it's not big ratio an ITV spokesman said yes-terday. "If you look at ITV sports ratings when we are up against a Rugby Union international, our sport normally beats the Rugby Union side. But if there were the possibility of a Rugby Union contract oasly we would discuss it."

The concern of the union has always been to protect the gates of clubs. The Welsh Ragby Union have suggested that tunorow's programme could "decimate" gates; it will be interested to see how he instructive to see how significant the effect is or whether the average rugby follower enjoys parochial first-hand entertainment rather countries from overseas.

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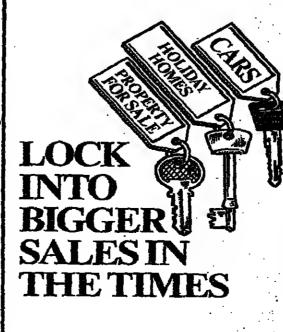
BADMINTON Frost defeats Yu for place in semi-finals Indonesia (AFP) - Morten

Frost again got the better of Shanghai-born Sze Yu of Australia in a closely-fought game in Bandung yesterday to ensure himself a place in the World Cup semi-finals.

Frost, the England-based Dane, won 18-13, 15-9 to follow up the straight sets win over Sze which brought him the British Masters title for the third year in a row under a

Frost will face Chinese Yang Yang in the semi-finals to be played off in Jakarta.

MEN'S SINGLES: Group One: N Yabib Tengi bi Sompol Kukasamidi (Thai) 15-8, 3-15, 15-13. Group Two: M Frost (Dec) to Sze Yu (Aust) 18-13, 15-8, Group Trans: 1 Superto (Indonesia) bi Yoo Bong Park (S Kora) 15-9, 15-2, Group Fous Zhao Jianhus (China) bi M Sciok (Majayas) 15-4, 7-15, 15-4.



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Davies to qualify. Englishmen Bryan Beeson and Robert Graham also line up in the first round today after finishing in the top eight in the qualifying tournament, but Simon Taylor and Zain Saleh fell at the last hurdle.